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Opening Remarks

Nextdoor Musings, Hate Mail and More

Got my morning cup of coffee from the Tom Thumb
Hope I can write something that isn't too dumb
The dogs are barking and I can't concentrate
I had all week to do this, so why did I wait?

Despite the abundance of negativity on social media—the President of Twitter, the "Why wasn't *our* band nominated for any awards, you tin-eared schmuck?"—there's some stuff out there that won't make you want to lock yourself in your panic room with a case of sardines and a stack of unread paperback books from the CVS.

One of these is Monday Musings, a Facebook group started by musician **Melissa Joiner** ("Why wasn't *she* nominated for any awards, you tin-eared schmuck?"). I've enjoyed everyone's contributions for a month now, although my participation has been minimal.

Okay, I didn't realize it was going to be (mostly) poetry, and anyone that's heard my original songs knows my rhyming skills are, um, *adequate,* to put it kindly.

I have invited people to join, folks I think are talented and/or thoughtful. Some are both. Most are still

Editor Manson in pre-Beachcomber Music Awards mode Monday night at Al's Beach Club on Okaloosa Island. Nice photo bomb, People That Do All the Heavy Lifting!

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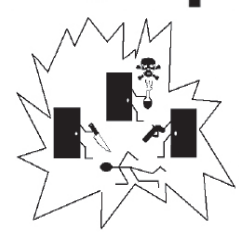

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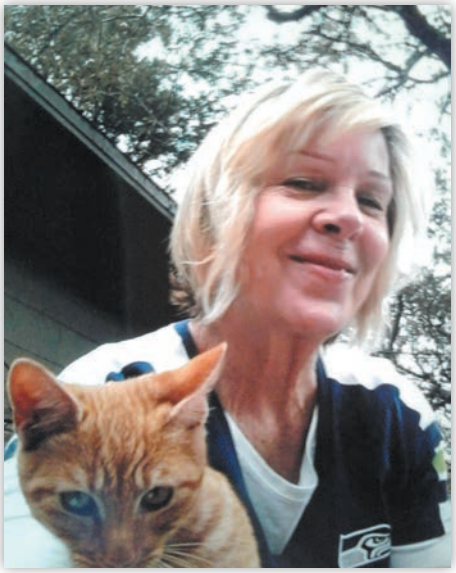

Vonnie Peters (Cover) has been painting and selling art on the Emerald Coast for over 20 years. Her favorite medium is acrylic wash on paper, and the vibrant colors attract even the most discriminating eye. "The shore is my playground and the subject of most pieces," she tells *Beachcomber.*

Vonnie resides in Fort Walton Beach with her husband Bill, a commercial crabber. You can reach the artist at **vonnie.peters@gmail.com**. Follow Vonnie Peters' Art at **Facebook.com/vonniepetersart.**

Samantha Lambert ("Behind the Scenes at FoWal's HHArts with Helen Harris") writes: "Three years now of living back in Florida, and it has been wonderful! Top faves about being back—having my family with me, beautiful beaches, clear blue/green Gulf of Mexico, laid back lifestyle, old friendships renewed and new ones made, fulfilling a dream of writing stories."

Seagrove Beach resident **Nikki Hedrick** (The Pauseandplay.com Record Roundup) is a photographer and longtime *Beachcomber* contributor. She is the co-owner of 850 Music and Entertainment, and wears a few other hats, too. Nikki is currently up to her ears in beach wedding season and will soon be up to her ears with the next Kite Film Fest.

Carrie Hunter ("Hurricane Michael Over Six Months Later") is a filmmaker from Northwest Florida. After graduating from FSU's film school, she worked as a Creative Services Director at Channel 3 in Pensacola and as an associate producer on the independent film *The Lengths* (available on Amazon Prime). Carrie moved to New York to work as an apprentice with the Directors Guild of America, gaining eligibility for guild membership on both coasts. She was assigned to shows like *Luke Cage, Law and Order, Kimmy Schmidt, Blindspot,* and *Ben is Back.*

After completing the program, she returned to the south to produce her own work, including her current documentary *Blue Tarps: This Is Six Months After Hurricane Michael.* In the fall, she will be attending law school at Georgia State University with a focus on intellectual property and entertainment law.

Clay Jones (Cartoons) syndicates his cartoons daily to publications across the country. Clay was born in Fort Hood, Texas, and was raised in Louisiana, Illinois, California and Georgia. He currently lives in Fredericksburg, Virginia. His cartoons are featured on CNN and *The Week*'s Best Editorial Cartoons, and he was a finalist for the 2019 Herblock Prize.

Subscribe to the **Claytoonz** YouTube channel and watch Clay Jones create his masterpieces. And if you feel like some online shopping, grab some Clay swag at **www.claytoonz.com.**

Opening Remarks CONTINUED...

waiting to get paid or discovered by late night comedy show head writers.

Every week the group members are given a writing prompt. Some of my favorites are…

What would you say to the rain?

You're a slather of peanut butter. Communicate your thoughts to the bread/cracker/celery.

Why did so-and-so not get nominated for any award, you tin-eared schmuck?

Somehow those guys find their way in, too.

Anyway, if you're looking to light that creative fire, give Monday Musings a try. Mention my name, and they might bring you on board anyway.

Another cool thing is the Nextdoor app, which brings a daily flood of notifications from the people in your neighborhood, like…

There's some suspicious looking guy walking down Mooney Road wearing a YES t-shirt and looking like he's up to no good. Usually, they're talking about me.

Be on the lookout for a small white vehicle slowing down at everyone's house and poking around. Okay, that's the mailman.

Can't that guy control his dogs? No, I can't. They own me.

Love,
Editor Manson

YOUR THOUGHTS AND COMMENTS

I was not impressed with the cartoon on page 6 of your latest issue ("Hate Is Not a Game" by Clay Jones, Aug. 15-28 *Beachcomber*). I find it in very bad taste. I am not a black man but find it offensive. You should be ashamed.

- John Yeager

Screw you, *Beachcomber* (Horror-scopes, Aug. 15-28 *Beachcomber*). Dogs are not going to wake up and decide they don't like their owners/servants. If they did, they would be too compassionate to let them know. I'm beginning to think your whole astrology gig is not based on science.

- Rebecca Rush

Editor's Note: *Ms. Rush brought recent Pet of the Issue Rocket Rush the Rescue Dog to the Beachcomber Music Awards Monday night, and he was a delight.*

What a hoot! Astrology based on science?

- Larry Beat

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"Micro Bros" Gets Greenlight for Brewery Pilot

Panhandle-based film production company Lensea Film has announced they've received funding and met all approval requirements to shoot the pilot episode of a show called *Micro Bros* at SweetWater Brewery in Atlanta, Georgia.

Micro Bros features hosts **Jared Michael Cramblet** and Jarrod Michael Moxley as they discover authentic stories through visits to breweries while exploring the surrounding culture. "Think Bourdain meets beer," said Mr. Cramblet. "Not that we'd ever be bold enough to compare ourselves and sense of storytelling to that of Bourdain, but we hope to bring some of those same feelings of adventure and curiosity to the show."

Both Mr. Cramblet and Mr. Moxley have held the show concept close for nearly a decade, but it didn't become a reality until Mr. Cramblet started working with **Destyn Patera** and his team with Lensea Film.

"I first met Destyn on set for a music video," he said. "I soon learned he was doing outstanding work with the likes of Bubba Watson, Oakley, and one of my favorite bands, The Revivalists. He and I began to work closely with each other on a more frequent basis and I eventually shared the idea for *Micro Bros* with him."

Upon sharing the idea with the Lensea Film crew, enthusiasm quickly followed, allowing the team to raise $45,000 to fund the production of the pilot episode and catch the attention of SweetWater Brewery, giving the team full access to film on location at the brewery.

"We quickly caught the attention of some really great partners, and are beyond excited to see our vision come full circle," said Mr. Patera. "With production fully funded, we can properly execute our vision for the show."

Although the budget for production is fully funded, the team will be launching a small crowdfunding campaign to aid with the costs of post-production, film festival entries, and general marketing costs upon completion.

"We will be shooting the pilot in November, with hopes to have a final product prepared for interested networks and streaming services in February 2020," said Mr. Cramblet. "We've worked really hard to put together some packages for our backers that include a five-course beer dinner, a multi-brewery day tour, and some items like shirts, pint glasses and other swag. We can't wait to show everyone what we've been working on!"

The Micro Bros aim to "discover authentic stories through visits to breweries." Nice work if you can get it!

The Kickstarter campaign will run the entire month of September and can be viewed at **kickstarter.com/profile/microbros.**

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NWF State College Nursing Program Makes the Grade

Spring 2019 saw the largest graduating cohort ever for Northwest Florida State College's (NWFSC) Associate of Science in Nursing (ASN) degree, with 56 students graduating.

And if that wasn't enough good news for the ASN program at NWFSC, every student who attempted the National Counsel Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN) this spring (55 of 56) passed the test and obtained their licenses.

"I am so proud of these graduates and am honored to work with the ASN faculty members who always strive for excellence in the classroom, labs and clinical settings," said **Dr. Charlotte Kuss,** director of nursing at NWFSC. "As this largest cohort of Northwest Florida State College RN graduates joins the hundreds of Raider nurses already in practice, we know we're changing lives and making a difference in our communities."

The NCLEX-RN is a nationwide examination for the licensing of nurses and must be passed before being licensed to practice nursing in the United States and Canada. NWFSC's NCLEX-RN passing rate is so high that it ranks in the top percentile for nursing passing rates in the country.

Northwest Florida State College's 2019 Associate of Science in Nursing grads. Congrats!

Currently, the college's NCLEX-RN passing rate is 98.5 percent, while the State of Florida's passing rate is 72.9 percent; nationally, the passing rate is 89.3 percent.

"Our nursing program is a reflection of our college's goal to be the best at what we do," said **Dr. Devin Stephenson,** NWFSC president. "I am pleased to see our students and faculty members rising to the challenge and creating one of the most successful nursing programs in the country."

The ASN program began at Northwest Florida State College in 2001, with the first graduating class in 2003. To date there have been 29 ASN graduating classes over 17 years.

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Trump Administration's Endangered-Species Policy Is Nothing but Animal Cruelty

By Carl Hiaasen, Tribune Content Agency

The long Republican war on the Endangered Species Act heated up last week when the Trump administration announced it was changing the rules about how far the government should go to save America's imperiled wildlife.

Having failed to persuade Congress to shred the landmark conservation law—signed by a Republican president, Richard Nixon, in 1973—lobbyists for the oil, mining and logging interests were elated by the breadth and boldness of Trump's shortcut.

The new rules would make it easier to "de-list" or a remove a species from the federal endangered list, and also to water down protections for those classified as "threatened."

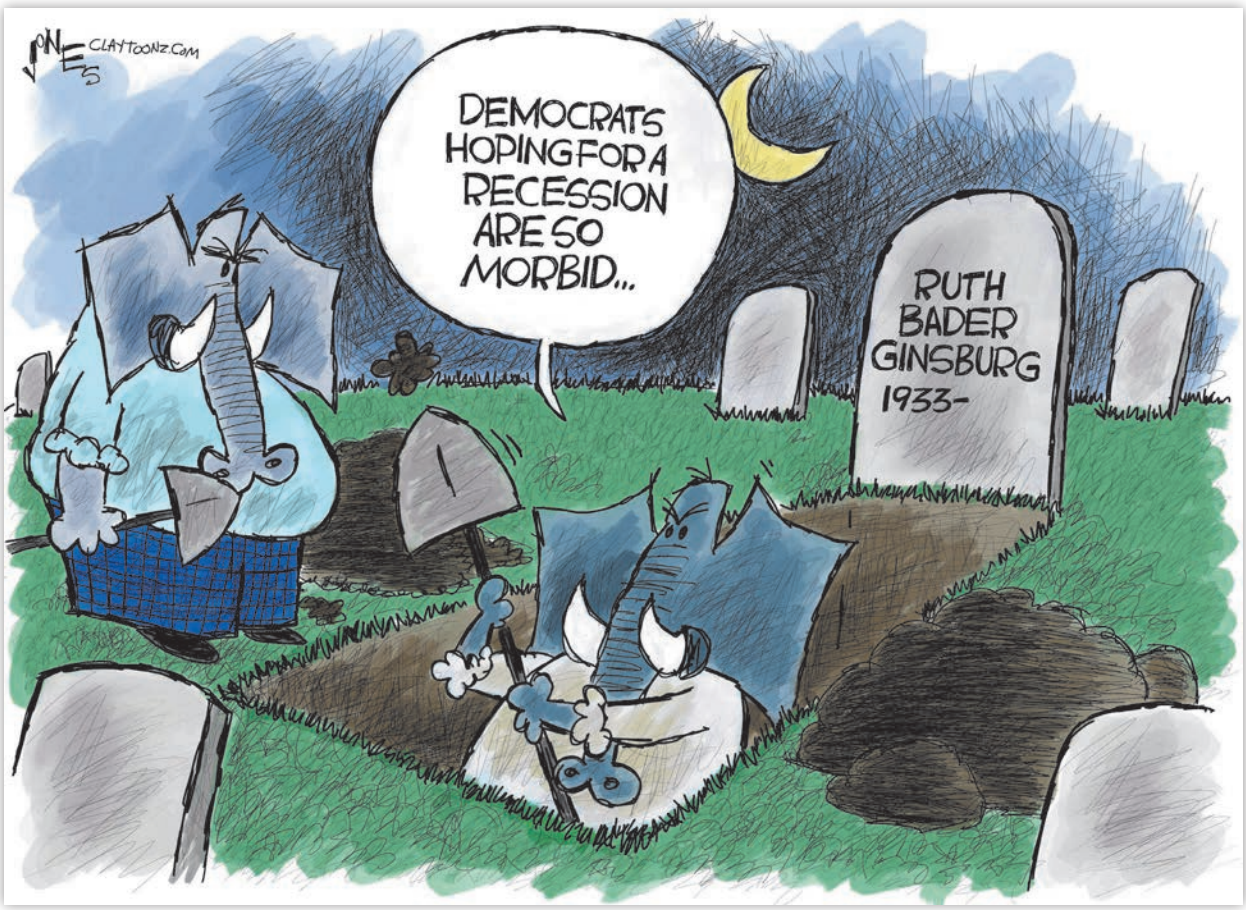
And in an unrepentant nod to developers and the extraction industries, regulators will now be able to consider economic factors when deciding whether a particular mammal, bird or wildflower deserves to be treated as endangered, even if it's indisputably sliding toward extinction.

In other words, saving God's creations from oblivion is a worthy mission unless it means lost revenues for ExxonMobil or Koch Industries.

A Key deer appears at the National Key Deer Refuge on Big Pine Key, Florida.

In Florida, where raw habitat has been drastically vanishing for decades, the Endangered Species Act has been instrumental in saving iconic wildlife such as the alligator, bald eagle, wood stork, several beloved species of sea turtles, the American crocodile, Everglades kite, manatee, Key deer and, of course, the Florida panther.

Heroic efforts and raised public awareness have boosted the panther population from double digits to current estimates of between 120 and 230 animals. However, the far-roaming felines are increasingly losing territory to overdevelopment and frequently get killed by traffic.



Ironically, some critics of the Endangered Species Act point to the prolonging of the panther's tenuous presence as a success story showing that the law did its job, and that regulations are no longer needed to save the cats.

That's the same untested argument being used by the feds about modestly resurgent species as diverse in size and range as the Yellowstone grizzly bear and Florida Key deer.

Political pressure to remove protection for the grizzlies has come from ranchers, and also hunting groups in Wyoming and Idaho that say there are now enough bears in the woods that people ought to be able to shoot them for sport.

Because, really, what's the point of saving a wild animal from extinction if we can't kill 'em and mount their stuffed heads on a wall?

According to the National Park Service, the number of grizzlies in the Greater Yellowstone River ecosystem has risen from only 136 in 1975 to an estimated 718 today. Sixty-nine of the animals are believed to have died last year.

Few field biologists would call that a thriving population, and last year a federal judge agreed. He overruled the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and reinstated protection for Yellowstone grizzlies.

So far, nobody has publicly proposed a hunting season for the famously adorable deer that live on Big Pine and a few other Lower Keys islands. Back in the

Jeffrey Epstein's Wealth and Power Gave Him Protection That His Victims Never Got

By Carl Hiaasen, Tribune Content Agency

The more we learn about the late Jeffrey Epstein's 13 months in so-called custody at the Palm Beach County Stockade, the clearer is the lesson:

It definitely helped to be rich, even if you were a monstrous sexual predator.

It didn't help Epstein that much at the Metropolitan Correction Center in Manhattan, where he hung himself early Saturday.

For the sake of his many victims, Epstein's death can't be the end of this story.

Just last week, Gov. Ron DeSantis ordered the Florida Department of Law Enforcement to investigate Epstein's coddled life while serving 13 months of an 18-month sentence after pleading guilty in 2008 to two felony counts of prostitution.

One of those crimes involved soliciting sex from a minor, serial behavior of Epstein's that had caught the attention of the FBI. A 53-page federal indictment resulting from that probe was spiked by then-U.S. Attorney Alex Acosta, paving the way for the multimillionaire's mysteriously lenient plea deal.

Even the most jaded observers of the justice system wouldn't expect that royal treatment would be given to a slimy perv who recruited high-school girls to visit his Palm Beach mansion and give him massages.

Yet, according to records from the jail and sheriff's department, Epstein enjoyed perks that no other convicted sex criminal would ever have the gall to request.

He took the concept of "work-release" to a whole new level. He was allowed to leave the stockade 12 hours a day, six days a week and, upon his return, stayed in a mostly empty wing of the facility.

For Epstein, jail wasn't an incarceration so much as an inconvenience. Deputies were given permission to leave his cell unlocked while he was there. He was more of an out-mate than an inmate.

Sometimes he got to watch TV in a room normally reserved for attorneys visiting jailed clients.

During his daily road trips, he was followed by off-duty deputies who were paid $126,000 for their respectful supervision. The officers often wore business suits and addressed him as "Mr. Epstein."

That's usually not how cops talk to child molesters, but most child molesters aren't being driven around by their own personal chauffeurs.

Typically, Epstein spent days at an office of the Florida Science Foundation, a nonprofit he founded shortly before his sentencing on the prostitution charges. WPTV reported it was the foundation that paid Epstein's deputy escorts, who also were supposed to keep written records of who visited him there.

Attorney Bradley Edwards, who represents some of Epstein's female accusers, said he knows of women who were brought to Epstein for sex while he was away from the stockade during the day. Those claims will be part of the new FDLE investigation.

Toward the end of his term, Epstein was even allowed to hang out at his mansion. That's actually more "release-release" than "work-release," but there were extenuating circumstances. How can you properly consult with your landscape architect if you're cooped up in a cell?

The Palm Beach Sheriff's Office has defended its handling of Epstein, saying he was treated no better than any first offender convicted of the same charges. To which imprisoned sex criminals all over the state might say:

So, can I get transferred to your jail? Please? Like, as soon as possible?

A spokesperson for Sheriff Ric Bradshaw told a reporter that there were no rules barring someone like Epstein from participating in work-release—and, besides, Epstein wasn't officially registered as a sex offender until the day after his release from jail.

OK. Nothing like a pointless technicality to put everyone's mind at ease.

DeSantis' announcement of an independent investigation followed a letter from Bradshaw supporting the idea. A day earlier, state Sen. Lauren Book of Plantation had sent the governor more than 4,000 signatures on a petition urging him to take action.

The probe covers not only Epstein's rich-and-famous lifestyle while in custody, but also the original investigation and plea settlement, including a controversial agreement sparing Epstein from federal prosecution.

Another aspect of the 2008 case begging to be examined is ex-State Attorney Barry Krischer's decision not to prosecute the well-connected businessman on more serious child-sex charges, despite the urging of Palm Beach detectives.

Authorities in other jurisdictions where Epstein owns homes strongly suspect he continued pursuing and exploiting under-aged girls after he finished his sentence in Florida.

Public outrage about the case was reignited by new reporting from *The Herald*'s Julie K. Brown. The scandal cost Acosta, the former U.S. attorney, his job as labor secretary in the Trump administration. A key assistant in the case, A. Maria Villafana, resigned from the Justice Department late last week.

In July, Epstein was indicted in New York on sex-trafficking charges involving "dozens of minor girls" in Manhattan and Palm Beach between 2002 and 2005. Prosecutors said the victims were as young as 14.

Once the judge denied bail, Epstein knew he was stuck in jail until his trial.

This time, being rich didn't matter. This time, the door on his cell stayed locked.

So the monster chose another way out, leaving a legacy of obscene privilege and predation.

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Endangered CONTINUED...

1950s, poaching and development had wiped out all but about two dozen of the docile, dog-sized animals.

Thanks to federal and state supervision, the Key deer herds gradually rebounded to more than 950 adults, sub-adults and fawns. Then, in 2016, an outbreak of screw worms spread a flesh-eating disease that killed about 130 animals.

The following year, Hurricane Irma walloped Monroe County, submerging much of the Key deer's browsing habitat. As tourism rebounded, road kills increased.

Yet, weirdly, Fish and Wildlife recently said it wants to remove the deer from the endangered species list. Officials stated their recommendation is based on the "best available scientific and *commercial* information."

I added the italics because one commercial factor when weighing the fate of the little deer is the amount of wild acreage they need. Undeveloped land is limited—and very valuable to builders—in the Keys.

The great Yellowstone grizzlies might not be universally cherished in Wyoming, but the Key deer's human constituency is loud, loyal and bipartisan—as wildlife federal officials are likely to see on Aug. 22, when a public hearing is scheduled at 6 PM at the Government Center in Marathon.

Judging a creature's worth on the planet by weighing the cost of not exterminating it is obscene, but that cold philosophy is like scripture to hardcore haters of the Endangered Species Act.

It's hardly shocking that the current Secretary of Interior, David Bernhardt, was a lobbyist for the oil and gas industries, or that his new rules will diminish the issue of climate change in the government's decisions about protecting wildlife.

The waters of the Florida Keys are rising, by the way, which isn't too good for the deer or the land developers. Unfortunately, the deer don't have any ex-lobbyists working in the Trump administration.

From the Archives... The Long Hike – Part I

By Charles Morgan III

Editor's Note: *This year commemorates the Morgan boys' historic trek along the John Muir Trail in California. The adventure was well documented in* Beachcomber, *and the following article—the first of three—appeared in our August 20, 2009 issue.*

It seemed like a good idea at the time. But now I can't remember when, how or why I came up with it.

A long hike in California with my boys on the John Muir Trail. True, we'd never even slept out in our backyard. And we'd certainly never walked 146 miles at altitude. With bears. In the snow. In August.

We flew into Fresno to meet our climbing party at the base camp for Mt. Sobek. The people in charge of tourism for the Fresno Chamber of Commerce have a very difficult job. Fresno has 80 known gangs with 20,000 members. It is the dog and cockfight capital of the world. The local college's mascot is a pit bull. This is where ultimate fighting (with humans) was invented. There is not much room in Fresno for tourism. On the plus side, there are nine medical marijuana dispensaries.

Our 12-day hike began pleasantly enough. Day One was an 8.3-mile hike in rolling terrain. Camp was set, dinner was prepared, and we set up tents and slept.

On Day Two, our problems began early.

Both of my sons have a light streak of obstinacy that they must have inherited from their grandfather. Eddie, the elder, had decided there was no need to filter his drinking water. "That stream I fished this morning is cleaner than the tap water back home," he said.

That was the last thing he said that was decipherable.

It began with what sounded like a fat man burping. It quickly escalated into something altogether different. Young Edward began howling like a coyote caught in a steel leg trap. Then he began vomiting in an unusual rapid fire manner. He kept this up for much longer than would seem possible. The emergency response by our guides was admirable, and Eddie was airlifted to a hospital in Bishop.

Chatham, my youngest son, was completely unnerved by the whole ordeal. He walked for the rest of the day with his head down, muttering to himself and checking his forehead for any sign of a fever. He wasn't able to worry about his brother for long, though.

Our guides had made one thing perfectly clear. It was a policy written in every memo regarding the trip. "NO FOOD IN THE TENTS! EVER!!!" it said.

All food was to be suspended from a tree 100 yards from our campsite to discourage bear attacks.

Chatham, like his father, has always had a phobia about hypoglycemic diabetic comas. He has slept with candy under his pillow since he was a child. I had seen Chatham purchase two boxes of SEES candy at the Salt Lake airport and figured that he had eaten them before our trip began.

Shortly after midnight on Day Three, our camp was awakened by a roaring noise and the sight of Chatham's tent being swatted down the mountain like a dandelion puff. Chatham made his way out of his shredded tent and, rather than assume a fetal position or run downhill, he actually attacked the bear.

His bravery may have caused the bear to forgo an attack on Chatham's genitals (a bear's favorite target), but with a box of candy in one paw, the bear swiped his free claws across Chatham's forehead and scalped him so clean it would have put an Apache warrior to shame.

I heard Chatham mumbling to himself as they loaded him into the helicopter. "It would have been a good day to die," he said, just before passing out.

It was suggested at this point that I give up on the challenging walk ahead. But there wasn't much I could do for my boys now except to forge ahead and to make them proud. I still had nine days of climbing rock walls and scampering up sheer sheets of frozen waterfalls.

But that would have to wait until at least Day Five. I woke up on Day Four and stumbled from my tent to relieve myself. Relief would not come. A medic had joined our troupe in an effort to save on helicopter evacuation costs. I was diagnosed with a rare combination of prostatitis, kidney stones and a gall bladder infection.

Uncomfortable with the brutish-looking medic—and having once considered going into medicine myself—I MacGyvered a catheter from the 7/8" tube coming from my Camel-Bak water system. Once my bladder emptied, I cauterized the gaping wound with hot embers from the campfire.

After that ordeal, I reasoned, the rest of the trip would be a piece of cake.

Again, I was wrong.

To be continued…

Behind the Scenes at FoWal's HHArts with Helen Harris

By Samantha Lambert

The Oxford Dictionary defines art as *the expression or application of human creative skill and imagination, typically in a visual form such as a painting or sculpture, producing works to be appreciated primarily for their beauty or emotional power.*

In Fort Walton Beach, there is a place where one can enjoy great works of art from great regional artists at great prices. That place is HHArts.

HHArts was created by **Helen Harris** and her husband Eric, both of whom are from New York and moved to Fort Walton Beach in 2006. Most of Eric's family already lived here. Helen grew up in Floral Park, New York. She attended college out of state but came back to New York after two years and attended the Fashion Institute of Technology.

She then worked retail for four and a half years before joining the reservations department at United Airlines. After deregulation and a buyout, Helen transferred to Lufthansa Airlines where she worked in the ticketing department for 21 years. She retired in 2005.

Helen and Eric married in 1982. Eric grew up in Queens and joined an electrical union after high school. He was drafted in 1966 and spent time in Vietnam. When he came back to the states, he went to college and then went to work for major companies in engineering along with being an electrician. In 2001, he started his own electrical contracting business. Eric also retired in 2005.

"I was always drawing and painting," Helen says. "In 2003, I started really getting back into art and took classes in oils." When the couple moved to Fort Walton Beach, she joined the Arts and Design Society, a nonprofit organization whose purpose is to sponsor, stimulate and promote art in its many phases and to further the intelligent appreciation of all forms of the arts within our community. The organization was started 62 years ago.

Helen became very involved with ADSO and was elected president of the group a year after she joined. She was the president for four years and is presently serving as vice-president. When she and Eric moved into a house in Fort Walton Beach, she used the guest room as her art studio. At that point, Eric started talking about opening a gallery. They found a perfect location at 100 Beal Parkway.

HHArts opened in April 2015. Its purpose is to support local artists and help sell their fine and varied work. Artists can rent a space to display their artwork for $40 a month. There is a three-month commitment and a two-week notice before leaving.

"That is their space. We receive no commission," says Helen. "We do ask that the artist volunteer once a month to sit in the gallery when it is open."

Helen and Eric Harris.

HHArts offers gallery space, studio space, classes, lectures, and workshops. Children's classes are offered on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 3 to 5 PM. On the outside wall of the building are various murals created by local artists.

A four-week mosaic class starts the first Saturday in September from 10 AM to 2:30 PM. The cost is $80, cash or check, and materials are included. To sign up, contact Thalia Newton at 850-974-9882 or **thalia5@cox.net.**

"I like a lot of different art," Helen says. "I have tried every kind of art there is and have won many awards." Helen has most recently enjoyed doing encaustic wax classes at the Center for Lifetime Learning. Many of Helen's pieces are on display at HHArts.

Coming up next for HH Arts—their yearly involvement with ADSO's Fine Arts Show at the Northwest Florida Fairgrounds this fall. It's an ideal place for both established and aspiring artists to showcase their work.

For more information about classes or displaying artwork, call 850-218-2166. HHArts is open from 10 AM to 3 PM Tuesday through Saturday. Follow them on Facebook and Instagram.

ART CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

ARTS AND DESIGN SOCIETY (ADSO) Classes at the Art Center, Fort Walton Beach. More info at **artsdesignsociety.org.**

Mondays and Wednesdays. Clay and Pottery Open Studio, 9 AM-noon both days and 6:30-9 PM Mondays. Beginners welcome. Cost for morning classes with **Pat Basque and Sherry Cooler** is $15 ($12 for ADSO members). Cost for Monday evening class with **Marcy Eady** is $15 ($12 for ADSO members). Materials and firing included.

Tuesdays. Art for Children Ages 6-12, 4-5:30 PM. **Marcy Eady** teaches about the masters and their styles using principles of basic drawing, painting and sculpture. Media vary each week. Cost per month is $70 ($60 for ADSO members). All supplies included.

Tuesdays. Oil Painting with Dale Gauvin, 9 AM-1 PM. Learn the Chiaroscuro technique favored by the old masters. Cost is $90 ($80 for ADSO members).

Tuesdays. Open Studio, 7-9:30 PM. Bring your own supplies (no pottery) and work with other Beachcomberland artists. Cost is $12 ($10 for ADSO members). Call Marcy at 850-585-4967 by 5:30 p.m. to ensure access.

Sept. 3, 10, 17 and 24. Art Classes for Homeschoolers Ages 6-12 with Marcy Eady, 1:30-3 PM. Cost is $70 per month ($60 for ADSO members), all supplies included. Each class explores a different medium or artist, emphasizing style, brush strokes and color.

Sept. 9, 16, 23 and 30. Painting with Loretta Menendian, 1-3 PM. A four-class acrylic workshop for artists wishing to improve technique. Cost is $90 ($80 for ADSO members). Supply list available at the ADSO office or on the website. Students may paint subjects of their choice and bring reference photos.

Oct. 4-6. "Bigger, Faster, Fresher, Looser Abstracts" Workshop with David M. Kessler, 9 AM-4 PM. "Learn to paint more freely!" Registration deadline is Wednesday, **Sept. 4.** Cost is $350 ($320 for ADSO members). Students provide their own materials—supply list available at the ADSO office. Learn more about the artist at **www.davidkessler.com.**

CHROMA STUDIO & GALLERY, 3925 West County Highway 30A, Santa Rosa Beach. Call 1-844-5-CHROMA or visit **www.CHROMA30A.com** for more info.

CREATE, 4652 Highway 20 East, Suite #102, Niceville.

Sept. 18 and 25, and Oct. 2, 9, 16 and 23. Hand-Building in Clay, 9-11 AM. This six-week course with instructor **Laurel Siwicki** teaches different techniques to create functional and decorative works of art that are hand-built off the wheel. Whether you are a beginner learning fundamental slab construction, or a more experienced potter and want to hone your skills, this adult class will be interactive with suggested projects and opportunities to work independently.

Cost is $240 and includes one 25-pound bag of clay, use of glazes and firing fees. Space is limited. Register at **www.bigorangehousedesigns.com** or call 334-320-6658.

HERITAGE MUSEUM OF NORTHWEST FLORIDA, 115 Westview Avenue, Valparaiso. Call 850-678-2615 or visit **Heritage-Museum.org** to sign up or for more info.

HH ARTS, 100 Beal Parkway SW, Fort Walton Beach. Call 850-218-2155 to register for classes.

THE SHARD SHOP in the Shops of Grayton, Grayton Beach. ShardWorx is a new way of making art with glass and resin on a painted surface. Open Mon.-Sat., 9:15 AM-4 PM. Classes daily. Adult classes, 9:30 AM. All ages classes at 11 AM, 1:30 and 3 PM Classes last about an hour, and all materials are provided. Artwork is ready the day after class. All skill levels welcome. Adults start at $85, kids at $40. Sign up online at **ShardShop.com** or call 850-231-0544.

ART EVENTS

THROUGH AUG. 31. ARTS AND DESIGN SOCIETY (ADSO) WINDOW GALLERY DISPLAY AT THE ART CENTER, FORT WALTON BEACH
To provide a convenient art gallery for the community, ADSO presents month-long FREE exhibits in their studio windows, facing First Street. The August spotlight shines on **Dale Gauvin** and his students**.** Mr. Gauvin teaches the "Old Masters" and other techniques at ADSO every Tuesday.

THROUGH AUG. 31. SHARON LONG EXHIBIT AT COASTAL BRANCH LIBRARY, SANTA ROSA BEACH
Sharon Long is a local watercolor artist, instructor and publisher who has lived in the area for 30 years. Ms. Long's specially designed palette system simplifies the process of creating rich, vivid colors and strong values. Through painting and teaching, she shares her inspirations from her life of travel with her husband Robert.

Her vibrant paintings are in public and private collections internationally. You can reach her for information, classroom opportunities and commissions at **sharon2art@aol.com.**

- Nan Ream

THROUGH SEPT. 2. ADSO'S "PRIMARILY RED" SHOW AT THE ART CENTER, FORT WALTON BEACH
Art in multiple mediums that are (at least) 75 percent red.

THROUGH SEPT. 30. THE FOSTER GALLERY'S FALL ROTATION IN GRAND BOULEVARD TOWN CENTER, MIRAMAR BEACH
Artists include **Melody Bogle, Gayle Campbell, Marscha Cavaliere, Donnelle Clark, Lee Clark, Skip Deems, Rebecca Dier Hart, Sandra Horne, Iva Jazayeri, Linda Kernick, Jason Lindblad, Merry Beth Myrick, William Polley, Mary Redmann, Kathleen Schumacher, Jenna Varney,** and **Martin Zurla.** Call 850-837-3037 or visit **CulturalArtsAlliance.com** for more info.

THROUGH OCT. 27. THE FOSTER GALLERY'S FALL ROTATION IN THE RUSKIN PLACE ARTIST COLONY, SEASIDE
Artists include **Marscha Cavaliere, Donnelle Clark, Lee Clark, Patrick Connolly, Skip Deems, Joyful Enriquez, Linda Kernick, Marian Pacsuta, Mary Redmann, The Salty Sparrow, Jenna Varney,** and **Krista Vind.** Call 850-837-3037 or visit **CulturalArtsAlliance.com** for more info.

THROUGH FEB. 14, 2020. ROSEMARY BEACH SCULPTURE EXHIBITION
The second biennial juried art show of contemporary outdoor sculpture along Scenic Highway 30A includes 16 sculptures by 16 artists. More at **rosemarybeachsculpture.com.**

OPENS SEPT. 1. ARTS AND DESIGN SOCIETY (ADSO) WINDOW GALLERY DISPLAY AT THE ART CENTER, FORT WALTON BEACH
Finally, the spotlight falls on **Tuny Jennings,** who works in mixed media with an emphasis on color and texture. Her folk art style is limited to one subject—cats, whom she feels are works of art in themselves.

OPENS SEPT. 1. SOUTH WALTON HIGH ART STUDENTS EXHIBIT AT COASTAL BRANCH LIBRARY, SANTA ROSA BEACH
Dr. Vivian Komando's AP art students (grades 9-12) display their work for the month of September. South Walton High School had a 100 percent pass rate on its 2019 AP Studio Art Portfolios for the 32 students that submitted portfolios to the College Board.

OPENS SEPT. 4. ADSO'S "ASSEMBLAGE" SHOW AT THE ART CENTER, FORT WALTON BEACH

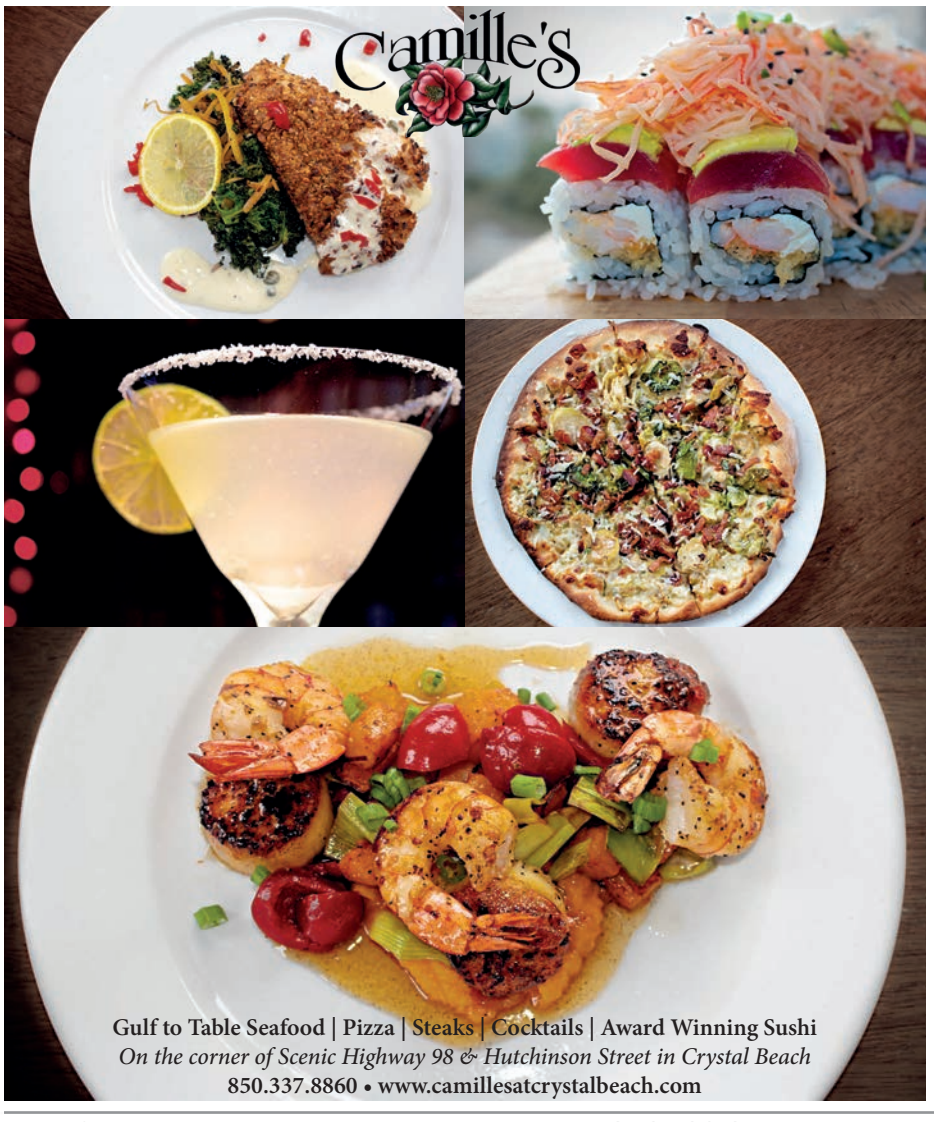
Through **Sept. 27.** Features art that incorporates two or more unrelated objects. Reception Friday, **Sept. 6,** 6-8 PM.

SEPT. 14. ADSO ARTISTS' STUDIOS TOUR AT THE ART CENTER, FORT WALTON BEACH
Beginning at 9 AM, participants will carpool to five different studios in the FWB area, where they will meet the artists, see their spaces, and learn how they work. The tour will end at approximately 3 PM at ADSO with refreshments and door prizes. And, yes, there will be a lunch break in there somewhere.

Cost is $25 ($20 for ADSO members). Space is limited, so make your (paid) reservation by **Sept. 1.** Call 850-244-1271 for more info.

SEPT. 25. ADSO LUNCHEON AT THE ART CENTER, FORT WALTON BEACH

Guest speaker **Willem van Osnabrugge,** a scientist by profession, has followed art as an avocation for the last two decades, including photography, drawing, watercolor, and pastels, leading to an award for a pastel portrait. Currently concentrating on oil painting, he will demonstrate mixing any color from a limited palette of just five colors.



The luncheon begins at 11:30 AM. Cost is $12 if you make your reservations by Monday, **Sept. 23.** After that, it's $15. Call 850-244-1271 or email **adsorsvp@gmail.com.**

ART GALLERIES

ADARO ART features works from 2015 South Walton Artist of the Year Juan Francisco Adaro, as well as other well-known local and international artists. Open daily from 10 AM to 5 PM. Now located in the Shops at the Hub, 7000 E. Scenic Highway 30A, Suite 21, Watersound, 561-985-5767. Email **adaro.art@gmail.com** or visit **adaroart.com** for more info.

ARTFUL THINGS Original oils, watercolors and acrylics, as well as prints and note cards by local artists. Art classes, supplies and custom framing available. 1087 John Sims Pkwy., Niceville, 850-729-2600. **www.artfulthings.net.**

ARTS AND DESIGN SOCIETY Features art shows by local and regional artists. Open afternoons Tuesday through Saturday. Shows change monthly. Art classes and workshops in various media. 17 First Street SE, Fort Walton Beach. 850-244-1271. **www.artsdesignsociety.org**.

CHROMA STUDIO & GALLERY features the art of South Walton's 2018 Artist of the Year **Kathleen Broaderick**. Browse Kathleen's original oil paintings in the gallery or take a boutique paint class in Kathleen's studio. Kathleen offers oil painting workshops featuring her energetic, loose and colorful style, as well as acrylic paint classes for artists and non-artists alike. The CHROMA Studio & Gallery is a place where guests will feel comfortable expressing themselves and finding joy in art. CHROMA is located at 3925 West County Highway 30A in Santa Rosa Beach (just west of Goatfeathers restaurant). Visit **www.CHROMA30A.com** or call 1-844-5-CHROMA for more information.

G & CO. GALLERY (formerly Geana's Art Gallery) Located in City Market, Destin. An exciting art gallery and full service frame and mirror shop offering a large selection of local, regional and international artists ranging from local photography to original fine art. Quality and value is second to none. We ship worldwide. 850-650-0779. **www.GAndCoGallery.com.**

HH ARTS offers works for sale from local artists in all mediums. There are many award-winning artists displayed in oil, acrylic, encaustic, collage, clay, handmade candles, and handmade jewelry designs in glass, leather and Victorian style. Studio space available for artists at reasonable rates. An outdoor area is also available for plein air painting or classes, with lighting and overhead covering. There will be classes offered for children and adults. Located at 100 Beal Parkway SW, Fort Walton Beach (three blocks off 98, across from Troy University). Open Tue.-Sat., 10 AM- 3 PM. For more info, call 850-218-2155 and "like" HH Arts on Facebook. Follow us on Instagram.

THE JUSTIN GAFFREY GALLERY features the coastal contemporary paintings and sculptures of local artist Justin Gaffrey. Visit the gallery to browse through Justin's coastal landscape, floral, and still-life paintings or stroll through the sculpture garden to view the various welded steel sculptures. Justin is most recognized for his heavily textured, heavy bodied acrylic, palette knife paintings of the local landscape, florals, and wildlife. The Justin Gaffrey Gallery is located at 21 Blue Gulf Drive along Scenic highway 30A in Blue Mountain Beach. Visit **justingaffrey.com** or stop by the gallery Monday through Saturday from 10 AM to 6 PM. Follow the Justin Gaffrey Gallery on Facebook and Instagram to see Justin's most recent creations.

MARY HONG GALLERY Located in Grayton Beach (Shops of Grayton), Destin (next to Ulta and Michael's), Nashville (4th and Union next to DoubleTree Hotel) and on Magazine Street in New Orleans. Mary Hong, the 2014 South Walton Artist of the Year, has been featured in over 10 publications and has appeared on *Emeril's Florida* TV show and HGTV's *House Hunters.* Mary's take on glass art incorporates the use of repurposed glass on painted canvas. She and her team offer classes at The Shard Shop, located adjacent to or inside her gallery locations. Classes are offered four to five times a day, and there is an extensive retail section full of thousands of pounds of glorious glass and art kits to take your ShardWorx on the go. We host parties and team events, too. Grayton Beach gallery open seven days a week, 9:30 AM-5 PM 850-231-1416. **MaryHongStudio.com.**

THE SHARD SHOP open seven days a week, 9:15 AM-4 PM. 850-231-0544. **ShardShop.com/Grayton.** Destin gallery and Shard Shop open seven days a week, 9 AM-7 PM. 850-842-4440. **ShardShop.com/Destin.**

MATTIE KELLY ART GALLERIES AT NORTHWEST FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE The Arts Center Galleries at Northwest Florida State College in Niceville encompass two galleries showcasing 20 different international, national and regional exhibitions yearly, which are unique to this region. Viewing hours are Monday through Thursday, 10 AM to 4 PM. Visit **www.mattiekellyartscenter.org** or call 850-729-6044.

THE ZOO GALLERY Created in 1979. Locally owned small business. We focus on quality, handcrafted work by hardworking artists. Our galleries showcase an eclectic range of curated artwork from all over the country, a jewelry collection like no other, plus unique clothing lines for women with soul. We keep a sense of wonder. We stand out from the herd. Located in Grayton Beach across from the Red Bar and in Grand Boulevard at Sandestin. **#standoutfromtheherd thezoogallery.com**

CALL TO ARTISTS

Arts and Design Society's "Assemblage Show"

ADSO is calling on all artists to participate in the show, which runs **Sept. 4-27.** All art, in any media, must consist of two or more unrelated objects combined in one piece of art. Cash awards! Turn in work Tuesday, **Sept. 3,** 9 AM-noon. Copy of entry form and additional details at **artsdesignsociety.org.**

Northwest Florida Fair Fine Arts Show for Adults and Students

ADSO invites all artists to participate in the show, happening **Sept. 24-28.** Cash awards! Turn in work Friday, **Sept. 20,** noon-5 PM, and Saturday, **Sept. 21,** 9 AM-noon. Entry fee for adults is $30 per piece, up to five pieces; for high school and middle school students, $2 per piece, up to five pieces. Northwest Florida State College Professor of Fine Arts **Stephen Phillips** will judge the adult art. Visit **artsdesignsociety.org** for a copy of the entry form, and call 850-244-1271 for more info.

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Artist Melanie Moore during her recent show at Enlightened Studios in downtown Fort Walton Beach.

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Another beautiful day in Beachcomberland.

The Chosen Ones: Beachcomber Music Awards #11

By Editor Manson

Song for song, award for award, drink for drink, ***The Beachcomber Music Awards Chapter 11*** — held Monday, August 26 — at Al's Beach Club & Burger Bar on the Okaloosa Island Boardwalk, was one of our best events since we started this thing back in 2008.

Co-hosts **Aly Bockler, Tim and Rusty Morinelli, Woofy Ramone, Nik Flagstar** and **Obliq the Architect** demonstrated impeccable announcing and envelope-opening savvy, while the live performances by **Finga F A Y A, Brandon Day, Hayes and Howland, Bob Cushing, Jessie Ritter, The Strangers of Elevated Underground, Superfaced, Shea Bryant, Tareva Henderson Boone** and **Al Alvarado** kept the stage afire.

Thanks to everyone who participated. Winners in each category or indicated in **bold.** Congratulations to this year's winners and nominees.

MUSICIAN OF THE YEAR

Sponsored by Al's Beach Club & Burger Bar
Brandon Day
Nik Flagstar
Jessie Ritter

BEST BAND

Sponsored by Matt Byrd / Merrill Lynch
Group Therapy
The Helvetica Effect
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BEST SOLO ARTIST

Sponsored by Emerald Coast Theatre Company
Brandon Day
Austin Jennings
Jessie Ritter

BEST MALE VOCALIST

Sponsored by 30A.com
Chris Alvarado
Austin Jennings
Forrest Williams

BEST FEMALE VOCALIST – PRESENTED BY AL ALVARADO

Sponsored by Act4Mystery
Cheryl Jones
Amber Mandel
Jessie Ritter

BEST DUO – PRESENTED BY BILLY GARRETT

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Hayes & Howland
Scott Rockwood & Shawn Hartung
Forrest Williams & Bryan Kennedy

BEST GUITARIST

Sponsored by 99ROCK
Brandon Day
Glen "Papa G" Jensen
Scott Rockwood

BEST BASSIST

Sponsored by Twisted Grape Café & Wine Bar
Dan Collins
Benghazi Gresham
Christian Mayes

BEST KEYBOARDIST

Joe Fingas
Cheryl Jones
Donnie Sundal

BEST DRUMMER – PRESENTED BY DONNIE MORGAN

Greg Mandel
Cameron Slade Mitchell
Jay Wilson

BEST HORN PLAYER

Al Alvarado (Saxophone)
Larry Hughes (Saxophone)
George Petropoulos (Trumpet)

BEST HARMONICA PLAYER

Sponsored by Matt Byrd / Merrill Lynch
Tony Forte
Blue Lew Hogue
JAB Wilson

BEST SINGER-SONGWRITER

Sponsored by LuLu's Destin
Bryan Bludworth
Jessie Ritter
Forrest Williams

BEST ALTERNATIVE ARTIST

Gold & Motion
Heritage
Qwerty

BEST AMERICANA ARTIST

Sponsored by HarborWalk Village
Billy Garrett
Dannica Lowery
Nic Turner

Best Instrumentalist and Best Horn Player Al Alvarado.

Music

BEST BLUES ARTIST

Sponsored by Graffiti & the Funky Blues Shack
Finga F A Y A
Billy Garrett
Lucky Strike Retros

BEST COUNTRY ARTIST

Sponsored by Floyd's Shrimp House
Luke Langford
Jessie Ritter
Robert Wayne

BEST COVER BAND/ SOLO ACT

Conjugal Visit
Brandon Day
Superfaced

BEST DANCE BAND

Sponsored by Rockin' Tacos
Black Eyed Blonde
Roshambo
Superfaced

BEST DJ

Sponsored by Limitless Entertainment
DJ Deezy
DVDJ Doc Roc
DJ Vladi

BEST FOLK ARTIST

Sponsored by GulfCoastRestaurants.com
Billy Garrett
Hope Given
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BEST JAM BAND

Sponsored by Proffitt PR
Heritage
The Hoodoos
Superfaced

BEST JAZZ ARTIST

Sponsored by UpBeat Music
Billy Garrett
Benghazi Gresham
Jones and Company

BEST RAP/ HIP-HOP ARTIST

Starcult
The Strangers of Elevated Underground
Jamal Steele

BEST R&B/SOUL ARTIST

Chase Carter
Jones and Company
Cat Rhodes & the Truth

BEST REGGAE ARTIST

Duende
Heritage
Tribe Zion

BEST ROCK ARTIST

Sponsored by Gulfside Insurance of FWB
Nik Flagstar and His Dirty Mangy Dogs
The Helvetica Effect
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Musician of the Year *among other things* Jessie Ritter.

For the second year in a row, JAB Wilson was voted Best Harmonica Player.

ALBUM OF THE YEAR

Sponsored by Fort Walton Vintage Records
Bryan Bludworth, *Between Us*
Billy Garrett, *Everybody Eats When They Come to My House*
Jessie Ritter, *Coffee Every Morning*

BEST ORIGINAL SONG

Sponsored by HarborWalk Village
Gold & Motion, "Lost & Found"
Jessie Ritter, "Meet Your Mother"
Will Thompson, "One of These Days"

BEST INSTRUMENTALIST

Al Alvarado
Joe Fingas
Scott Rockwood

BEST LIVE MUSIC VENUE

Sponsored by TLC-PR
AJ's, Destin
Club LA, Destin
Funky Blues Shack, Destin

BEST MUSIC EVENT OF THE YEAR (OCT. 2017-APRIL 2019)

Sponsored by Take Care Guardianship
Bands of 30A April 2019 Concert – Shunk Gulley, Santa Rosa Beach
Rock 4 a Cure 2019 – The Block, Fort Walton Beach
The 2018 Beachcomber Music Awards – Al's Beach Club & Burger Bar, Okaloosa Island

BEST MUSIC VIDEO

Bob Cushing, "Somehow We Survived It All"
Billy Garrett, "Everybody Eats When They Come to My House"
Gold & Motion, "Organic Love"

BEST METAL ARTIST

Sponsored by 850 Music & Entertainment
Dark Star Coven
The Helvetica Effect
Vagrants

BEST PERCUSSIONIST

Steve Ferry
Zack Lewis
Roberto Padron

BEST TRIBUTE ACT

Emerald Coast Blues Brothers
Roshambeatles
Rust & Gold

BEST NEW ARTIST

Sponsored by The Crab Trap
Bob Cushing
Horseshoe Kitty
Jessie Ritter

HALL OF FAME – PRESENTED BY JOE FINGAS

Sponsored by Matt Byrd / Merrill Lynch
Jim Couch
Brandon Day
Nik Flagstar
John Zirpola

Back on Top: Michael J Thomas

Special to Beachcomber

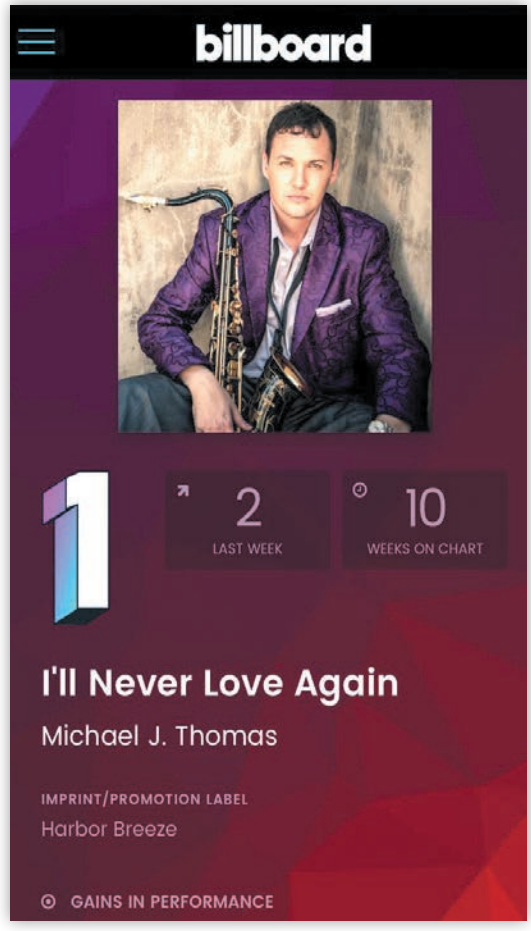
"Michael has done a beautiful emotional instrumental version of that gorgeous song. My buddy Carl Griffin, the great record executive, sent it to me a couple weeks ago and I just fell in love with it…"
– Dave Koz, *The Dave Koz Lounge* on SiriusXM Watercolors

Nearly two years after emerging as a #1 national recording artist with his hit single "Baby Coffee," **Michael J Thomas** has hit the pole position on the *Billboard* Smooth Jazz Songs chart again with his latest single, a powerhouse urban jazz re-imagining of "I'll Never Love Again," the end theme from Bradley Cooper's film *A Star Is Born.*

"It's such a beautifully written song that I connected with the moment my music biz mentor Carl Griffin introduced me to it," he says. "I knew we had something very special. The response at radio was tremendous, and I'm excited that it also caught the attention of my sax hero, Dave Koz. I'm very proud of what my entire team accomplished."

"Baby Coffee," from his Sony Music distributed album *Driven,* reached #1 on three national radio charts, including *Billboard* (where it stayed at the top for four consecutive weeks), *USA Today* and *Smooth Jazz Top 20* with Allen Kepler.

In addition to receiving terrestrial radio airplay across the globe, Mr. Thomas' music has been featured on Sirius XM's Watercolors and The Weather Channel, and in the



Warner Bros. film *Contagion* starring Matt Damon and Laurence Fishburne. He has recorded with two-time Grammy® winning producer Paul Brown and is currently a Grammy voting member of the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences.

Though surrounded by country music while growing up in the small town of Cecilia, Kentucky, Mr. Thomas' parents filled his childhood with a steady stream of legendary R&B and pop artists who would later become muses—Stevie Wonder, Earth, Wind & Fire, Michael Jackson, and Prince.

Mr. Thomas studied piano at the age of seven and switched to saxophone in seventh grade, shortly after discovering contemporary jazz artists like Yellowjackets and Dave Grusin on a Technics demo disc that came with a stereo his dad purchased.

During a high school jazz band rehearsal one late evening, all of his ear training and emulation of other saxophonists finally came together. The band was performing a run-through of Jimi Hendrix' "Purple Haze" that had a transcribed alto sax solo that young Michael deviated from.

"For some reason it all came together in an instant while taking the solo lead," he says. "It finally clicked, and I could improvise. The band and the director were so impressed that they stopped playing the song and clapped for me. It was really at that moment that my musical journey began."

Music > The Pauseandplay.com Record Roundup

Musicians - send your CDs, vinyl and/or cassettes to Beachcomber, P.O. Box 5707, Destin, FL 32540-5707. Email MP3s and streaming links to **chris@beachcomberdestin.com**.

The Handsome Scoundrels

Ooh, La La

Independent

Mobile's pop-punk kings are back with a new full-length album to attract new fans and delight longtime revelers. With 11 tracks of effervescent enthusiasm mixed with enough snark to warm even the darkest of hearts, the Handsome Scoundrels are always a beacon of light in a genre that often feels beat to death with familiar tropes. Whether you are a full-fledged pop-punk aficionado or occasional listener, give this album a few spins and it's impossible to be in a bad mood.

- Nikki Hedrick

The Tubby Hayes Quartet

Grits, Beans and Greens: The Lost Fontana Studio Sessions 1969

Decca

Tenor saxophonist Edward "Tubby" Hayes had the classic American jazzman story—recognition, eclipse (by rock 'n roll), substance abuse, early death—except he did it in England. Hayes even left behind tantalizing rumors of "lost" master tapes. A series of studio sessions is restored and collected here. *Grits, Beans and Greens* is a fascinating look into a musician's mind. There are four takes each of "Rumpus" and the title song, and *six* takes of "Where Am I Going?" (from the musical *Sweet Charity*). Like Miles Davis, Hayes loved to camp on a tune, digging deep into its potential.

- Bruce Collier

Jumping the Gun

Behind the 8 Ball

Independent

Back with a new full-length, the Beachcomberland band is ready to carve out their path to larger ambitions. With this enjoyable blend of rock meets pop, Jumping the Gun showcases their drive to craft original music that tells their unique story. From spunky coming of age lyrics to metaphors about facing life's trials, *Behind the 8 Ball* is a snapshot of a band in motion with earnest dreams and the moxie to get there.

- Nikki Hedrick

Chris Roberts

Adra

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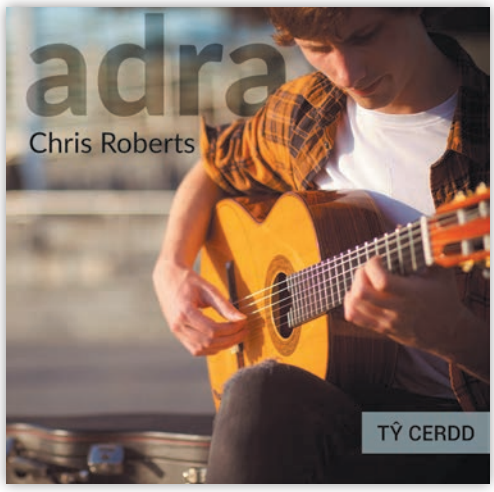


English-born, Welsh-inspired guitarist Chris Roberts' *Adra* (Welsh for "home") is the performance tip of a musical and historical iceberg. Roberts dug back into old and more recent archives of harp and guitar both to learn and to make connections for this debut solo album. He also partakes of Senegalese harp (kora) music, and the Welsh/West African tradition of the traveling bard or *griot*. Roberts goes it alone, no vocal or instrumental sidemen. What results is a rich, varied program of one-on-one music featuring traditional, reflective works, and modern virtuoso pieces that sound like they were tailor-made just for your entertainment.

- Bruce Collier

Annelien van Wauwe

Belle Epoque

Pentatone

Belgian clarinetist Annelien van Wauwe has accomplished something I thought impossible…I now love hearing the clarinet. *Belle Epoque* offers 10 pieces from Brahms, Widor, Pierne, and Debussy—all French or German composers of the late 19th century ("Belle Epoque")—and one modern composer, Manfred Trojahn. That period marked the crossing of the frontier between classical tradition and modern, experimental art, setting the stage for the rise of the great solo artists. Each piece gives the clarinet front row, allowing van Wauwe to demonstrate amazing virtuosity. If you hear the dawn of jazz, these guys were the pioneers.

- Bruce Collier

EDITOR'S CHOICE

Eilen Jewell

Gypsy

Signature Sounds Recordings

All hail the new queen of alt-country, though she pretty much masters any style she sets her sights on. Along with Tommy Womack's recent "We'll Get Through This Too," Ms. Jewell's "79 Cents (The Meow Song)" feels like the right song for the right time. And I challenge you to find a lovelier ballad than "Who Else But You."

3TEETH

Metawar

Century Media

Twelve blasts of primo metal that never wear out their welcome. If you've had it with the endless noodling and Cookie Monster vocals that have become the norm in heavy music, these kids are worthy of your undivided attention.

- Chris Manson

Pause&Play (the music site)

Pauseandplay.com – Since 1997, P&P has been the definitive place for music fans to find out when a new album is coming out. Also stay up on the latest reissues and music-related DVD/Blu-rays and books. Elton John says he uses Pauseandplay.com to keep track of new music, and *Entertainment Weekly* has included it on its list of "The 100 Greatest Web Sites," one of only 17 music sites to be selected.

Live Music

Musicians and venues: Email **chris@beachcomberdestin.com** to get your gigs listed here.

THURSDAY, AUG. 29

AJ'S, Destin
WILL & LINDA, 4:30 PM (Bimini Stage)
CHASIN' JAYMIE, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)
DJ BOOM, 8 PM
MILES FLATT, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)

AJ'S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach
HAYES & HOWLAND, 5-9 PM

AL'S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM
MARVIN LEE, 5-9 PM

CAMILLE'S, Destin, CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com
DEAN SADOWSKI, 3-5 PM

CAPT. DAVE'S ON THE GULF, Destin, 850-837-2627
BRANDON DAY, 5-9 PM

ENLIGHTENED STUDIOS, Fort Walton Beach
Open Jam, 7-10 PM

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650
CAT RHODES & THE TRUTH, 7 PM

GOATFEATHERS, Santa Rosa Beach
HOPE GIVEN, 5-8 PM

GRAND BOULEVARD AT SANDESTIN, Miramar Beach
ROB ROMANS, 6 PM
Dog-Harmony event. Bring the pooches!

HAVANA BEACH BAR AND GRILL, Rosemary Beach
MICHAEL RORAH, 6:30-10:30 PM

LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin
ALVARADO ROAD SHOW, 5 PM

REDD'S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach, ReddsFuel.com
REDD THE SINGING BARTENDER, 7-10 PM

RED FISH TACO, Blue Mountain Beach
FORREST WILLIAMS BAND, 8-11 PM
Ladies Night

RUTH'S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin, RuthsChrisDestin.com
CHERYL JONES, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6:30-9 PM (Main Bar and Dining Room)

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
BILL GARRETT, 8 PM-Midnight

30AVENUE, Inlet Beach
CADILLAC WILLY, 6-9 PM

FRIDAY, AUG. 30

AJ'S, Destin
GOOD 'NUFF, 4:30 PM (Bimini Stage)
AUSTIN JENNINGS, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)
DJ BOOM, 8 PM
MILES FLATT, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)

AL'S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM
THE CROOKED VINES, 8-11:59 PM

DOCIE'S DOCK, Fort Walton Beach
DONNIE MORGAN and JOHN ZIRPOLA, 7-10 PM

ENLIGHTENED STUDIOS, Fort Walton Beach
BEAR WITH ME, 6-9 PM
GREG BOND, 10 PM-1AM

FLOUNDER'S CHOWDER HOUSE, Pensacola Beach
LONESTAR, 8 PM

FORT WALTON BEACH LANDING
REDSTONE, 6-8 PM
Realtors Giving Back benefiting **Food for Vets.**
Entry fee is $5 or five cans of food.

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650
THE SHAKEDOWN, 8 PM

HAVANA BEACH BAR AND GRILL, Rosemary Beach
MICHAEL RORAH, 6:30-10:30 PM

LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin
COCONUT RADIO, 5 PM

MODICA MARKET, Seaside
THE STEENOS, 5-7 PM

REDD'S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach, ReddsFuel.com
LUCKY STRIKE RETROS, 7:30-10:30 PM

RUTH'S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin, RuthsChrisDestin.com
SHANE CURLE, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6:30-9 PM (Main Bar and Dining Room)

SLICK MICK'S, Fort Walton Beach
ROB ROMANS, 7 PM

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

30AVENUE, Inlet Beach
SCENIC HEIGHTS, 6-9 PM

TWISTED GRAPE CAFÉ & WINE BAR, Shalimar, 850-651-5100
Guitar with RICK ESGUERRA, 6-9 PM

VINYL MUSIC HALL, Pensacola
WHY?
Why not?!

SATURDAY, AUG. 31

AJ'S, Destin
WILL & LINDA, 4:30 PM (Bimini Stage)
AUSTIN JENNINGS, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)
DJ SERPENT, 8 PM
MILES FLATT, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)
NAKD, 10 PM (Live Street Party)

AL'S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM
SUPERFACED, 8-11:59 PM

BOATHOUSE OYSTER BAR, Destin
GUNNER

ENLIGHTENED STUDIOS, Fort Walton Beach
TERRY GAYHART, 2-4 PM
TEV-OH, 6-9 PM

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650
CAT RHODES & THE TRUTH, 8 PM

HARBORWALK VILLAGE, Destin, www.HarborWalkVillage.com
FLASH FLOOD, 7-9:30 PM
Labor Day Concert Celebration

HAVANA BEACH BAR AND GRILL, Rosemary Beach
MICHAEL RORAH, 6:30-10:30 PM

JIMMY BUFFETT'S MARGARITAVILLE, HarborWalk Village
BOB CUSHING, 6 PM

LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin
ROCK BOTTOM with RICK CARTER, 5 PM

OLD FLORIDA FISH HOUSE, Seagrove Beach
FORREST WILLIAMS BAND, 8-11 PM

REDD'S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach, ReddsFuel.com
REDD THE SINGING BARTENDER, 7-10 PM

RUTH'S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin, RuthsChrisDestin.com
SHANE CURLE, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6-9 PM (East Bar)

SANDDOLLAR LOUNGE, WHITE SANDS BOWLING CENTER, Fort Walton Beach
BOBBYD, 7-10 PM

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

3RD PLANET BREWERY, Niceville
GROUP THERAPY, 6-9 PM

TRIPP TIDE TIKI BAR AT THE ISLAND HOTEL, Okaloosa Island
ROB ROMANS, 5 PM

TWISTED GRAPE CAFÉ & WINE BAR, Shalimar, 850-651-5100
Jazz with BENGHAZI GRESHAM, 6-9 PM

SUNDAY, SEPT. 1

AJ'S, Destin
JONES AND COMPANY, 4 PM (Bimini Stage)
DJ DAN DAVIS, 4 PM
JB DYESS, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)
MILES FLATT, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)

AL'S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM
OVERDRIVE, 8-11:59 PM
Fireworks at 9.

CAMILLE'S, Destin, CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com
DEAN SADOWSKI, 10 AM-Noon

ENLIGHTENED STUDIOS, Fort Walton Beach
HOPE GIVEN, 2-5 PM

FAITH ASSEMBLY CHURCH, Miramar Beach
DONNIE SUNDAL – FLY DENTS – PHIL CALHOUN – TAREVA HENDERSON BOONE – SHANNON WALLACE, et al., 11 AM

FLORA-BAMA, Pensacola
JUSTIN MOORE – EASTON CORBIN – TREA LANDON, 4 PM

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650
Jazz Jam with MATT McCARTY, 7 PM

HARBORWALK VILLAGE, Destin, www.HarborWalkVillage.com
FLYING HIGH, 6:30-9 PM
Labor Day Concert Celebration. Fireworks at 9, followed by fire spinning with Just Add Fire.

LOCAL CATCH, Santa Rosa Beach
FORREST WILLIAMS BAND, 4-7 PM
Sunday Funday

LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin
COCONUT RADIO, 5 PM

POMPANO JOE'S, Miramar Beach
BOBBYD, 2-5 PM

STINKY'S FISH CAMP, Santa Rosa Beach
THE STEENOS with FRANKO "WASHBOARD" JACKSON, 11 AM-2 PM

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

TRIPP TIDE TIKI BAR AT THE ISLAND HOTEL, Okaloosa Island
BOB CUSHING, 5 PM

VINYL MUSIC HALL, Pensacola
Widespread Panic Afterparty with YELLOWHAMMER, JENNIFER HARTSWICK, FUTURE ASTRONAUTS, and More

MONDAY, SEPT. 2

AJ'S, Destin
WILL & LINDA, 4:30 PM (Bimini Stage)
JASON CLARK, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)
DJ SERPENT, 8 PM
BLACK EYED BLONDE, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)

AL'S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM
PAXTON NORRIS BAND, 8-11:59 PM

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650
Blues Jam, 7 PM

GOATFEATHERS, Santa Rosa Beach
HOPE GIVEN, 5-8 PM

LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin
CADILLAC ATTACK, 5 PM

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

TUESDAY, SEPT. 3

AJ'S, Destin
JB DYESS, 4:30 PM (Bimini Stage)
CHASING JAYMIE, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)
DJ DAN DAVIS, 8 PM
BLACK EYED BLONDE, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)

AL'S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM
MARVIN LEE, 5-9 PM

CAMILLE'S, Destin, CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com
TOM DeVOURSNEY, 3-5 PM

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650
CAT RHODES & THE TRUTH, 7 PM

HOG'S BREATH, Destin
BRANDON DAY, 5-9 PM

LA PAZ, Destin, LaPazDestin.com
SHANE CURLE, 6-9 PM
Taco Tuesday

LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin
JUSTIN YAWN, 5 PM

REDD'S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach, ReddsFuel.com
REDD THE SINGING BARTENDER, 7-10 PM

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
CHRISTIAN MAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

30A SONGWRITER MUSIC AND COFFEE, Santa Rosa Beach
Open Mic Live, 7-10 PM

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 4

AJ'S, Destin
JASON TYLER FINDLEY, 4:30 PM (Bimini Stage)
GOOD 'NUFF, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)
DJ CHARLES, 8 PM
BLACK EYED BLONDE, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)

AJ'S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach
JB DYESS, 5-9 PM

AL'S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM
MARVIN LEE, 5-9 PM

ENLIGHTENED STUDIOS, Fort Walton Beach
Open Mic Night, 7-9 PM

Live Music

FOKKER'S PUB, Fort Walton Beach, 850-244-6666
PARADISE BAYOU, 6-10 PM

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650
CAT RHODES & THE TRUTH, 7 PM

GREEN DOOR MUSIC HALL, Fort Walton Beach
Wailing Wednesday Blues Jam with JOE FINGAS & P-NUT, 9 PM-Midnight

HAVANA BEACH BAR AND GRILL, Rosemary Beach
MICHAEL RORAH, 6:30-10:30 PM

LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin
MICHAEL MAGAZZENI, 5 PM

REDD'S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach, ReddsFuel.com
Open Mic Night, 7-10 PM

RUTH'S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin, RuthsChrisDestin.com
JONES & COMPANY, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6:30-9 PM (Main Bar and Dining Room)

Upcoming Music Releases

AUG. 30

Gregg Allman, *Laid Back (Deluxe Edition)**
Stephen Bishop, *We'll Talk About It Later in the Car*
Bon Iver, *I, I**
Common, *Let Love**
Sheryl Crow, *Threads**
Lana Del Rey, *Norman Fucking Rockwell!***
Entombed A.D., *Bowels of Earth*
Jesse Malin, *Sunset Kids**
Nirvana, *Live and Loud**
Rodriguez, *Cold Fact + Coming from Reality**
TOOL, *Fear Innoculum*
Trisha Yearwood, *Every Girl**
Frank Zappa, *Orchestral Favorites (40th Anniversary)**

SEPT. 6

The Allman Brothers Band, *Fillmore West '71*
Bat for Lashes, *Lost Girls**
Jake Clemons, *Eyes on the Horizon*
Miles Davis, *Rubberband**
Death Cab for Cutie, *The Blue EP**
Crystal Gayle, *You Don't Know Me*
The Highwomen, *The Highwomen*
Chrissie Hynde with the Valve Bone Woe Ensemble, *Valve Bone Woe**
NRBQ, *Turn on, Tune in**
Iggy Pop, *Free**
Amy Speace, *Me and the Ghost of Charlemagne*
Status Quo, *Backbone**
Lindsey Stirling, *Artemis**
Blue Note Records: Beyond the Notes. DVD.

* Also on Vinyl
** Also on Vinyl and Cassette

Sources: Allmusic.com, Pauseandplay.com

SANDDOLLAR LOUNGE, WHITE SANDS BOWLING CENTER, Fort Walton Beach
BOBBYD, 7-10 PM
The official "farewell" party, although Bobby is set to play Saturday night, too.

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
BILL GARRETT, 8 PM-Midnight

THE VILLAGE OF BAYTOWNE WHARF, Sandestin, BaytowneWharf.com
THE GOOD LOOKINGS, 7-9 PM
Wednesday Night Concert Series

THURSDAY, SEPT. 5

AJ'S, Destin
WILL & LINDA, 4:30 PM (Bimini Stage)
CHASING JAYMIE, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)
DJ BOOM, 8 PM
BAD CHARLOTTE, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)

AJ'S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach
HAYES & HOWLAND, 5-9 PM

AL'S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM
JORDAN BALLANTYNE, 5-9 PM

CAMILLE'S, Destin, CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com
DEAN SADOWSKI, 3-5 PM

CAPT. DAVE'S ON THE GULF, Destin, 850-837-2627
BRANDON DAY, 5-9 PM

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650
CAT RHODES & THE TRUTH, 7 PM

GOATFEATHERS, Santa Rosa Beach
HOPE GIVEN, 5-8 PM

HAVANA BEACH BAR AND GRILL, Rosemary Beach
MICHAEL RORAH, 6:30-10:30 PM

LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin
GYPSY PEARL, 5 PM

REDD'S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach, ReddsFuel.com
REDD THE SINGING BARTENDER, 7-10 PM

RED FISH TACO, Blue Mountain Beach
FORREST WILLIAMS BAND, 8-11 PM
Ladies Night

RUTH'S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin, RuthsChrisDestin.com
CHERYL JONES, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6:30-9 PM (Main Bar and Dining Room)

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
BILL GARRETT, 8 PM-Midnight

30AVENUE, Inlet Beach
SCOTT ROCKWOOD, 6-9 PM

VINYL MUSIC HALL, Pensacola
AVATAR

FRIDAY, SEPT. 6

AJ'S, Destin
GOOD 'NUFF, 4:30 PM (Bimini Stage)
AUSTIN JENNINGS, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)
DJ BOOM, 8 PM
BAD CHARLOTTE, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)

AJ'S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach
GROUP THERAPY, 7-11 PM

AL'S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM
HORSESHOE KITTY, 8-11:59 PM

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650
CATALYST, 8 PM

HAVANA BEACH BAR AND GRILL, Rosemary Beach
MICHAEL RORAH, 6:30-10:30 PM

LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin
LEFTY COLLINS, 5 PM

MODICA MARKET, Seaside
THE STEENOS, 5-7 PM

REDD'S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach, ReddsFuel.com
TBA, 7:30-10:30 PM

RUTH'S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin, RuthsChrisDestin.com
SHANE CURLE, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6:30-9 PM (Main Bar and Dining Room)

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

TWISTED GRAPE CAFÉ & WINE BAR, Shalimar, 850-651-5100
Guitar with RICK ESGUERRA, 6-9 PM

VFW POST 7674, Fort Walton Beach
BOB CUSHING, 6 PM

VINYL MUSIC HALL, Pensacola
GONE WITH THE FLESH – STORM WITHIN – GRIMWAR – VESSEL
$5 Local Showcase

SATURDAY, SEPT. 7

AJ'S, Destin
WILL & LINDA, 4:30 PM (Bimini Stage)
AUSTIN JENNINGS, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)
DJ BOOM, 8 PM
BAD CHARLOTTE, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)
HORSESHOE KITTY, 10 PM (Live Street Party)

AL'S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM
THE HOODOOS, 8-11:59 PM

BOATHOUSE OYSTER BAR, Destin
GUNNER

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650
THE SHAKEDOWN, 8 PM

HAVANA BEACH BAR AND GRILL, Rosemary Beach
MICHAEL RORAH, 6:30-10:30 PM

JIMMY'S JUKEBOX, Fort Walton Beach
GROUP THERAPY, 9 PM-1 AM

LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin
RICK WILSON, 5 PM

REDD'S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach, ReddsFuel.com
REDD, THE SINGING BARTENDER, 6:30-10 PM

RUTH'S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin, RuthsChrisDestin.com
SHANE CURLE, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6-9 PM (East Bar)

SANDDOLLAR LOUNGE, WHITE SANDS BOWLING CENTER, Fort Walton Beach
BOBBYD, 7-10 PM

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

3RD PLANET BREWERY, Niceville
BOB CUSHING, 6 PM

TWISTED GRAPE CAFÉ & WINE BAR, Shalimar, 850-651-5100
Jammin' with JUSTIN ROGERS, 6-9 PM

VINYL MUSIC HALL, Pensacola
Nashville Singer-Songwriters JON NITE, JIMMY ROBBINS and J.T. HARDING

SUNDAY, SEPT. 8

AJ'S, Destin
JONES AND COMPANY, 4 PM (Bimini Stage)
JB DYESS, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)
DJ DAN DAVIS, 8 PM
BLACK EYED BLONDE, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)

AL'S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM
BRANDON DAY, 5-9 PM

CAMILLE'S, Destin, CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com
DEAN SADOWSKI, 10 AM-Noon

ENLIGHTENED STUDIOS, Fort Walton Beach
HOPE GIVEN, 2-5 PM

FAITH ASSEMBLY CHURCH, Miramar Beach
DONNIE SUNDAL – FLY DENTS – PHIL CALHOUN – TAREVA HENDERSON BOONE – SHANNON WALLACE, et al., 11 AM

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650
Jazz Jam with MATT McCARTY, 7 PM

LOCAL CATCH, Santa Rosa Beach
FORREST WILLIAMS BAND, 4-7 PM
Sunday Funday

LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin
LEE YANKIE, 5 PM

STINKY'S FISH CAMP, Santa Rosa Beach
THE STEENOS with FRANKO "WASHBOARD" JACKSON, 11 AM-2 PM

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

TRIPP TIDE TIKI BAR AT THE ISLAND HOTEL, Okaloosa Island
BOB CUSHING, 5 PM

MONDAY, SEPT. 9

AJ'S, Destin
WILL & LINDA, 4:30 PM (Bimini Stage)
JASON CLARK, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)
DJ SERPENT, 8 PM
BLACK EYED BLONDE, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)

AL'S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM
TREST RICHERSON, 5-9 PM

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650
Blues Jam, 7 PM

GOATFEATHERS, Santa Rosa Beach
HOPE GIVEN, 5-8 PM

LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin
RONNIE PRESLEY, 5 PM

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

TUESDAY, SEPT. 10

AJ'S, Destin
JB DYESS, 4:30 PM (Bimini Stage)
CHASING JAYMIE, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)
DJ DAN DAVIS, 8 PM
BLACK EYED BLONDE, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)

Live Music

AL'S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM
MARVIN LEE, 5-9 PM

CAMILLE'S, Destin, CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com
TOM DeVOURSNEY, 3-5 PM

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650
CAT RHODES & THE TRUTH, 7 PM

HOG'S BREATH, Destin
BRANDON DAY, 5-9 PM

LA PAZ, Destin, LaPazDestin.com
SHANE CURLE, 6-9 PM
Taco Tuesday

LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin
CHAUNCY CRANDALL, 5 PM

REDD'S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach, ReddsFuel.com
REDD, THE SINGING BARTENDER, 6:30-10 PM

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
CHRISTIAN MAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

30A SONGWRITER MUSIC AND COFFEE, Santa Rosa Beach
Open Mic Live, 7-10 PM

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 11

AJ'S, Destin
JASON TYLER FINDLEY, 4:30 PM (Bimini Stage)
GOOD 'NUFF, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)
DJ CHARLES, 8 PM
BLACK EYED BLONDE, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)

AJ'S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach
JB DYESS, 5-9 PM

AL'S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM
MYKE VAN NESS, 5-9 PM

FOKKER'S PUB, Fort Walton Beach, 850-244-6666
PARADISE BAYOU, 6-10 PM

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650
CAT RHODES & THE TRUTH, 7 PM

GREEN DOOR MUSIC HALL, Fort Walton Beach
Wailing Wednesday Blues Jam with JOE FINGAS & P-NUT, 9 PM-Midnight

HAVANA BEACH BAR AND GRILL, Rosemary Beach
MICHAEL RORAH, 6:30-10:30 PM

LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin
DERRICK DORSEY, 5 PM

REDD'S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach, ReddsFuel.com
Open Mic Night, 7-10 PM

RUTH'S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin, RuthsChrisDestin.com
JONES & COMPANY, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6:30-9 PM (Main Bar and Dining Room)

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
BILL GARRETT, 8 PM-Midnight

THE VILLAGE OF BAYTOWNE WHARF, Sandestin, BaytowneWharf.com
THE BLENDERS, 7-9 PM
Wednesday Night Concert Series

VINYL MUSIC HALL, Pensacola
AGENT ORANGE

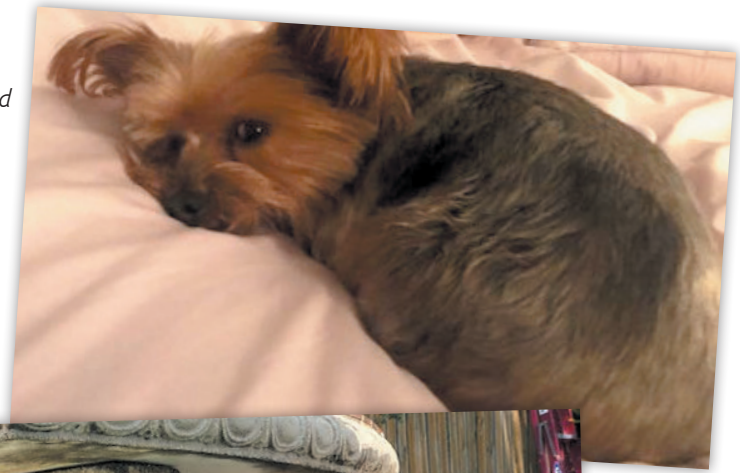
PET OF THE ISSUE

Bella

Submitted by Christie Sachse

Bella is about four and a half years old. "I found her a few months ago," Christie tells Beachcomber. *Bella needed grooming and wasn't fixed. "Whoever had her did not take care of her."*

Christie says the Yorkie, who is blind in the left eye, is "the best little companion I have ever had. She's as sweet as can be!"



Submit your best friend(s) for a future Pet of the Issue feature! Email **chris@beachcomberdestin.com**.

Events

All information is subject to change. Please refer to the contact numbers and/or emails/websites for up-to-the-minute details. Send us your Sept. 12 and beyond events by 5 PM Thursday, **Sept. 5,** *or they will not be in our next issue. Please submit events in the format used here. Photos welcome. Email* **chris@beachcomberdestin.com**.

THURSDAY, AUG. 29

BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS FUNDRAISER WITH DERRICK BROOKS
Hilton Sandestin, Miramar Beach, 6-9 PM
EmeraldCoastBGC.org
Mr. Brooks, a Pensacola native, is an NFL Hall of Famer and is widely considered to be one of the best linebackers of all time. An 11-time Pro Bowl selection and nine-time All Pro, he was named AP NFL Defensive Player of the Year in 2002 and earned a Super Bowl ring with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers in Super Bowl XXXVII.

General admission tickets are $125, and include admission to the event, a build-your-own-burger bar, drink ticket, and opportunities to bid on silent auction items. VIP tickets are $175, and include a meet and greet with Mr. Brooks.

OKALOOSA COUNTY FARMERS MARKET
Northwest Florida Fairgrounds, Fort Walton Beach, 7 AM-2 PM
850-689-5850
Locally grown produce and more.

SATURDAY, AUG. 31

GRAND BOULEVARD FARMERS MARKET
Grand Boulevard at Sandestin, 9 AM-1 PM
GrandBoulevard.com

LABOR DAY CONCERT CELEBRATION
HarborWalk Village, Destin, 7-9:30 PM
HarborWalkVillage.com
Live music on the main stage with Beachcomber Music Award winners **Flash Flood.** Bring your dancing shoes.

OKALOOSA COUNTY FARMERS MARKET
Northwest Florida Fairgrounds, Fort Walton Beach, 7 AM-2 PM
850-689-5850
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SEASIDE FARMERS MARKET
Seaside, 8 AM
SeasideFL.com

SUNDAY, SEPT. 1

LABOR DAY CONCERT CELEBRATION
HarborWalk Village, Destin
HarborWalkVillage.com
Live music on the main stage with **Flying High** from 6:30 to 9 PM, followed by fireworks and a fire spinning show from **Just Add Fire.**

30A FARMERS MARKET
Rosemary Beach, 9 AM-1 PM
Satisfying salts, teas, spices, blends and more.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 3

FLIGHT NIGHT
Twisted Grape Café & Wine Bar, Shalimar
850-651-5100
Wine flights are $2 off from 5 PM to close.

OKALOOSA COUNTY FARMERS MARKET
Northwest Florida Fairgrounds, Fort Walton Beach, 7 AM-2 PM
850-689-5850
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WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 4

LADIES' NIGHT
Camille's at Crystal Beach, Destin
www.CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com
Half off drinks for the ladies! Two bucks off sushi rolls!

THURSDAY, SEPT. 5

OKALOOSA COUNTY FARMERS MARKET
Northwest Florida Fairgrounds, Fort Walton Beach, 7 AM-2 PM
850-689-5850
Locally grown produce and more.

WIGGIN' OUT FOR A CAUSE
Grand Boulevard at Sandestin, 6:30-9:30 PM
www.eccac.org

This year's event, presented by the **Emerald Coast Children's Advocacy Center,** has a Great Gatsby Roaring '20s theme. An entertaining ladies' night out with wine, food, fun, live music by Beachcomber Music Award winner **DJ Vladi,** and dancing. Guests are encouraged to pre-purchase tickets now for $75 each; tickets at the door are $100 per person. VIP packages available. Purchase online or call Chelsea at 850-833-9237, ext. 256.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 7

COLLEGE FOOTBALL SATURDAYS
HarborWalk Village, Destin, 11 AM-???
HarborWalkVillage.com
Watch your favorite teams along the Destin Harbor and score some great food and drink specials.

GRAND BOULEVARD FARMERS MARKET
Grand Boulevard at Sandestin, 9 AM-1 PM
GrandBoulevard.com

INTRODUCTION TO BLACKSMITHING
Heritage Museum of Northwest Florida, Valparaiso
www.heritage-museum.org

MAKIN' BACON 4 BEDS
Destin Commons, Noon-4 PM
www.abed4me.org
A new event highlighting local eateries and their take on a bacon-themed food item. Enjoy live music by **The Hollard Band,** an auction with repurposed headboards painted by local artists, craft vendors, and a People's Choice winner. Samples are only $1. Proceeds benefit **A Bed 4 Me Foundation,** a local nonprofit providing beds for children in Okaloosa County who would otherwise be sleeping on the floor or in other inadequate spaces. A Bed 4 Me Foundation is still accepting local restaurants and food vendors to participate, as well as sponsors.

For more info, contact Diane Freeman at **Diane@abed4me.org** or 850-240-0778.

NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM
Heritage Museum of Northwest Florida, Valparaiso, 7-9 PM
www.heritage-museum.org
Enjoy food and beverages from local restaurants and tours with **Stage Crafters.** Cost is $40 ($35 for museum members)—to register, call 850-678-2615.

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Seaside, 8 AM
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SUNDAY, SEPT. 8

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TUESDAY, SEPT. 10

"BUSINESS LEADERS TOGETHER" LUNCHEON
The Island by Hotel RL, Okaloosa Island, 11:30 AM-1 PM
FWBChamber.com
The team from **Carr Riggs & Ingram** discuss employee fraud. Tickets are $30 and include lunch. Sponsored tables of eight going for $300. Call 850-244-8191 for more info.

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850-651-5100
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Members of the Crestview Women of Valor, led by Pastor Sherrell Compton, visit Children in Crisis and president/CEO Ken Hair. The women donated school supplies, health and beauty aids, and much more to the kids living at the CIC neighborhood. Learn more at www.childrenincrisisFL.org.

Photo submitted by Ken Hair.

Panhandle Lacrosse Club Opens Fall 2019 Registration

Coming off an exciting summer season where they placed third in the Alabama Shootout, the Panhandle Pelicans have opened registration for the team's fall season.

"From players picking up a stick for the first time to those with years of experience, we saw incredible growth in the 25 young men who joined us this summer," says **Coach Joshua Schmidt.** "I'm excited to see what the fall season brings."

The Pelicans competed in two tournaments over the summer—the Tampa Jam and the Alabama Shootout, where they tested their lacrosse knowledge and experienced a different level of play than what they're used to in their usual Florida Panhandle opponents.

"Since high school and college lacrosse are played around the same time, many colleges recruit at tournaments like the ones we attended this summer and the ones we plan on competing in this fall," Coach Schmidt says. "These tournaments put players in the direct line of sight for these college recruiters."

But he adds that it's not all about college recruiting. He says the club's goal is to build on each player's confidence, teamwork and sportsmanship, ensuring the game's integrity and growth across the Florida Panhandle.

"Without the support of our incredible sponsors and the dedicated parents, we wouldn't be able to impact these young men's lives and continue to do what we do," Coach Schmidt says. "I can't thank them enough."

Practices are set for Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3:30-5:30 PM, from **Sept. 17** to **Nov. 7,** at the new sports complex located just off Highway 98 at 240 MC Davis Boulevard in Santa Rosa Beach.

The Pelicans plan to compete in the Fall Classic in Plant City, Florida, on Nov. 2 and 3, as well as the Turkey Shootout in Panama City Beach Nov. 16 and 17.

Registration for returning players is $150 and includes 14 to 16 practice sessions and admission for the two tournaments. For new players, registration is $200 and includes 14 to 16 practice sessions, one pair of shorts, one reversible pinnie, one shooter shirt and admission for the two tournaments.

Players are responsible for providing their own equipment and travel/lodging.

For more information about the team, sponsorship opportunities or to register, visit **www.panhandlelax.com** or email Coach Schmidt at **panhandlelaxclub@gmail.com.**

- Janie Schmidt

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Events

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 11

LADIES' NIGHT
Camille's at Crystal Beach, Destin
www.CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com
Half off drinks for the ladies! Two bucks off sushi rolls!

"MAKING SOMETHING NEW OUT OF SOMETHING OLD"
Vintij Food & Wine, Miramar Beach, 10 AM-1 PM
seagrovegardenclub@gmail.com
Get inspired by local floral designer **Tim Ryan,** then stick around for lunch.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 12

EMERALD COAST SCIENCE CENTER'S FOURTH ANNUAL WOMEN IN SCIENCE CONFERENCE
Northwest Florida State College, Niceville, 5:30-7:30 PM
2019womeninscience.eventbrite.com
A celebration of women in all STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) professions, the evening will consist of inspirational presentations from professional women in STEM careers. All ages are welcome, especially middle school and high school students looking to discover careers in STEM.

Guests will have a chance to mingle with the speakers and other guest professionals, and all speakers will be a part of an open panel Q&A session for audience members to ask questions. Food and drink provided.

Tickets are $12 for adults and $5 for students.

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS OF WALTON COUNTY BUSINESS AFTER HOURS
Westonwood Ranch, 4390 Highway 20 West, Freeport, 5-7 PM
ypwaltoncounty.com
FREE for YPWC and Walton Chamber members, $10 for prospective members.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 14-MONDAY, SEPT. 16

"TRANSFORMING COMMUNITIES THROUGH NEW URBANISM" SYMPOSIUM
Seaside
www.seasideinstitute.org
Each day of the symposium, speakers will focus on a distinctive component of transformation while also giving those in attendance the opportunity to network with other industry professionals working toward the same goal. The three days will also be comprised of walking tours of Seaside, a book signing, and various opportunities to interact with the speakers in either a round-table or deep-dive discussion at the end of each day.

Register by **Sept. 1** by emailing **information@seasideinstitute.org.**

SATURDAY, SEPT. 28

"EGGS ON THE BEACH" BIG GREEN EGG GRILLING COMPETITION
Seascape Resort, Miramar Beach

Registration is currently open for nonprofit, backyard and corporate teams. Cash prizes are up for grabs in a number of categories, including Taster's Choice, Judge's Award and Best Booth Display. Proceeds from the event benefit **The Fisher House of the Emerald Coast** and **Food for Thought.**

To register a nonprofit team, email **susan@baybreezepatio.com.** To register a cook team, sign on as a sponsor, or purchase taster tickets, visit **www.EggsontheBeach.com** or stop by Bay Breeze Patio at 32 Forest Shore Drive in Miramar Beach.

THURSDAY, OCT. 3

THIRTY-FOURTH ANNUAL CADDYSHACK CLASSIC GOLF TOURNAMENT
Emerald Bay Golf Course, Registration at Noon
HarborDocks.com
All proceeds benefit **Destin Harvest**'s food rescue and distribution operation and **Take a Kid Fishing.**

SUNDAY, OCT. 13

30A HALF MARATHON & 5K
Scenic Highway 30A
Register at **30Ahalf.com.** Deadline is **Sept. 28** for all runners.

FRIDAY, OCT. 18-SATURDAY, OCT. 19

ANIMORE, A FUNDRAISING WEEKEND FOR ALAQUA ANIMAL REFUGE
Future Alaqua Grounds on Highway 20, Freeport
Alaqua.org
An epic weekend celebration of and for the love of animals with a one-of-a-kind wine dinner, live music and more. More info to come. Don't miss this one!

SATURDAY, NOV. 2

THE MARKET SHOPS FIFTH ANNUAL BLOODY MARY FESTIVAL
The Market Shops, Miramar Beach, 11 AM-2 PM
TheMarketShops.com
Advance tickets are $40 and include unlimited tastes of South Walton's most innovative Bloody Marys. Plus—live music by Beachcomber Music Awards Hall of Famers **Dread Clampitt.**

Bo and Charlotte Arnold have pledged $25,000 to establish the Charlotte Arnold Fine Arts Scholarship Endowment at Northwest Florida State College.
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Beachside Worship Services

CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION EPISCOPAL CHURCH UECNA 1928 Book of Common Prayer Service, 10 AM Sundays, communion service second and fourth Sundays, morning prayer, first and third Sundays. 66 8th Street, Shalimar, 850-651-9800.

CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC CHURCH Mass schedule (through Sept. 30)—Sunday, 8 AM and 10:30 AM; Saturday, confessions from 4 to 4:30 PM, mass at 5 PM; daily mass Monday through Friday, 8 AM; First Friday Adoration, 8:30-9:30 AM; First Saturday Mass, 8 AM Holy Days of Obligation, 8 AM and 6:30 PM 307 Beach Drive, Destin.

DESTIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Sundays – 7:30 AM beach services at Henderson Beach State Park; Crab Trap, Destin; Crab Trap, Okaloosa Island Boardwalk. Contemporary service in the Sanctuary at 9 AM. Contemporary Xalt service at 10:30 AM in the Destin Life Center. Traditional service in the Sanctuary at 11 AM. Sunset beach service at Henderson Beach State Park, 5:30 PM. **DestinUMC.org**.

FAITH ASSEMBLY CHRISTIAN CHURCH Sunday worship services: 8:45 and 11 AM Nursery and children's church is available. Wednesday bible study at 7 PM Located at 306 S. Geronimo St. in Miramar Beach, three blocks west of Silver Sands Outlet Mall. 850-837-7561.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF DESTIN Sunday bible study at 9:15 AM, worship service at 10:30 AM, prayer and outreach at 5 PM. Wednesday service at 6:15 PM. 201 Beach Drive, 850-837-6515.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SEAGROVE Sunday services at 10 AM and Wednesdays at 6 PM 4915 E Hwy. 30A, Seagrove, 850-231-2884.

GATHERING 151 Eglin Pkwy NE, Fort Walton Beach. **comegather.com**.

GOOD NEWS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Sunday services 8:45 AM (traditional worship) and 10 AM (contemporary worship). 4747 U.S. 98 West, Santa Rosa Beach, 850-622-9191.

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH Sunday worship service, 9:30 AM Sunday school for kids, confirmation class for youth, and adult bible study, 10:45 AM 4325 Commons Drive, Destin, 850-654-1679.

HOPE ON THE BEACH Beach worship at 8 AM at Ed Walline Beach, across from Gulf Place; and at Inlet Beach, at the Orange Street beach access. Worship at 9:30 AM at Shunk Gulley Oyster Bar, on the corner of 393 and 30A. And worship at 11 AM at our 98 Church Campus, at 3834 U.S. 98 W, Santa Rosa Beach. For more information, call 850-267-0322 or email **pastorj@hopeonthebeach.org**.

ISLAMIC DA AWA CENTER OF FWB 6 Hollywood Blvd. SW, Fort Walton Beach, 850-664-0373, **lavidaeterna.org.**

KINGDOM HALL OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES 216 Jonquil Avenue NW, Fort Walton Beach.

MOSSY HEAD CHURCH OF CHRIST 657 Deshazo Road, Crestview, 850-951-0434, **mossyheadchurchofchrist.com**.

NAVARRE BEACHSIDE CHURCH Nondenominational Christian church service meets outdoors every Sunday at 9 AM in the Navarre Beach parking lot, located at 8579 Gulf Boulevard. Children's church provided, pets always welcome. Look for the white tents. 850-939-1533, **www.navarrebeachchurch.com**.

NICEVILLE CHURCH OF CHRIST Sunday bible study at 9 AM, worship at 10 AM. Sunday evening service, 5 PM. Mid-week bible study Wednesdays at 7 PM. 801 John Sims Parkway East, Niceville. 850-678-2911.

RESURRECTION CATHOLIC CHURCH Saturday vigil mass, 5 PM; Sunday masses, 8 and 10:30 AM; Daily liturgies, Monday through Friday, 8:30 AM; Holy Days of Obligation, 8:30 AM and 6 PM; Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Fridays, 9-10 AM; Confessions, Saturdays, 4-4:45 PM or by appointment. 259 Miramar Beach Dr., Destin, 850-837-0358.

SAFE HARBOR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Sunday school at 9:30 AM, worship service at 10:30. 801 Airport Road, Destin, 850-837-2133.

SAINT RITA CATHOLIC CHURCH Saturday Vigil mass at 5:30 PM year round. Sunday services at 8 AM, 10 AM and 5 PM Holy Day services, call the office please. 137 Moll Drive, Santa Rosa Beach, just off U.S. 98. 850-267-2558. **www.saintritaparish.org.**

SANTA ROSA COMMUNITY CHURCH Interdenominational service 10 AM Sundays. 3524 Hwy. 98W, 850-267-7599.

SHORELINE CHURCH Non-denominational Sunday services at 8:30, 10 and 11:30 AM Check out our new location at 140 Palmetto Street in Destin, in the old Nightown building.**www.shorelinechurch.net.**

ST. ANDREWS EPISCOPAL CHURCH Service at 10 AM Sundays. 307 Hwy. 98E, Destin, 850-650-2737

ST. MARKELLA & DEMETRIOS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH Sunday service at 10 AM 400 Hwy. 98E, Mary Esther, 850-244-0822.

ST. SIMON'S ON THE SOUND EPISCOPAL CHURCH Sunday services at 8 and 10:30 AM and 5 PM 28 Hwy. 98W, FWB, 850-244-8621.

VILLAGE BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday services at 9 and 10:30 AM 101 Matthew one block south of Hwy. 98E, Destin, 850-837-8107.

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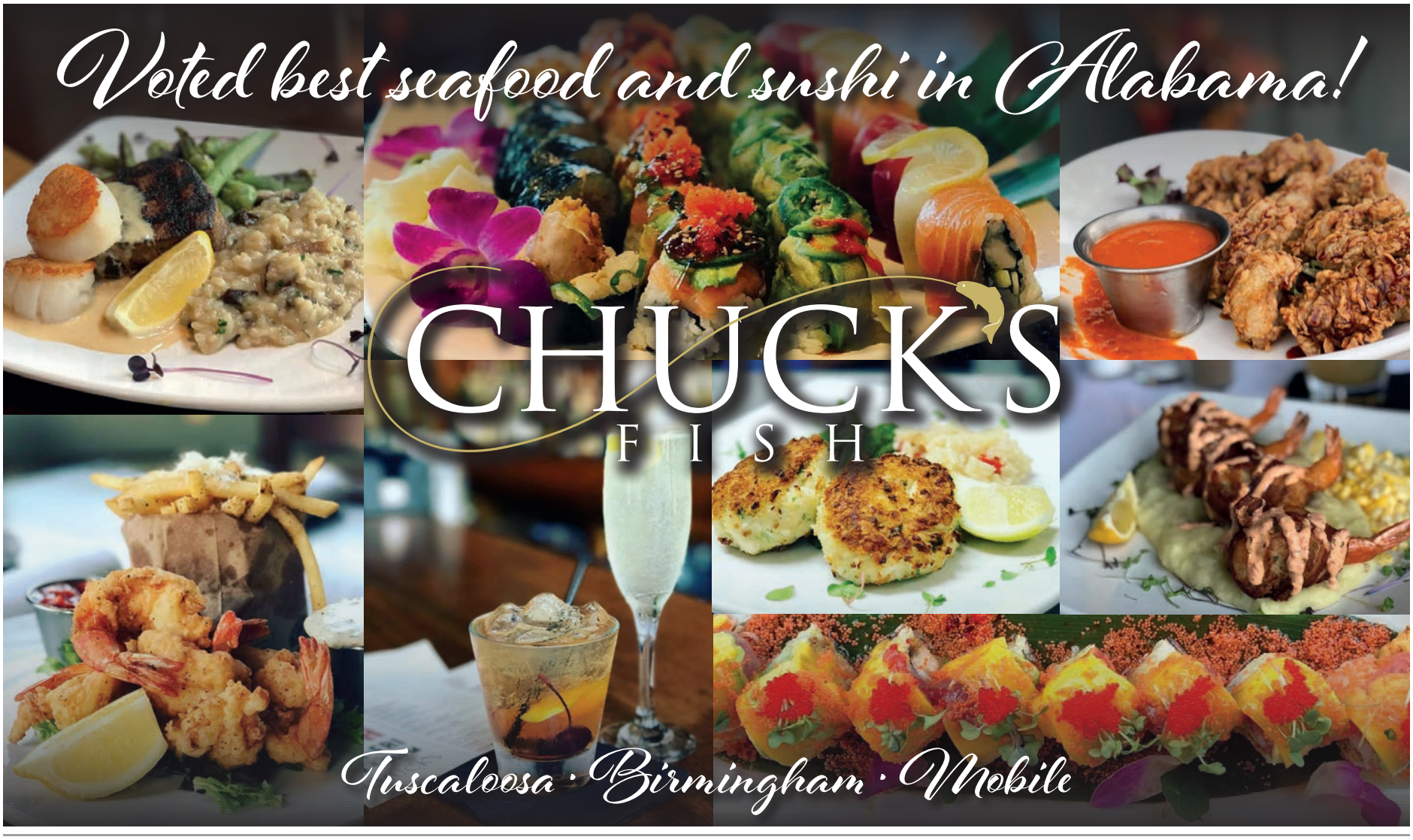

Hurricane Michael Over Six Months Later: Young People and Medical Jobs

By Carrie Hunter

Caitlyn in her old neighborhood.

When Hurricane Michael ripped through Northwest Florida, it damaged businesses as well as homes. Young people working in the medical industry were particularly affected by job losses. Bay Medical Center was extremely damaged as well as several smaller medical clinics, which in turn decreased jobs and services in the area.

Caitlyn, a young mother with a small child, was working at Bay Medical. She was one of hundreds of people laid off from work. At the same time, she had to move out of a damaged apartment to live with her grandparents. The distinct smell of mold was a concern for her son's health and both Caitlyn and her son were coughing and experiencing respiratory issues because her landlord refused to fix the storm damage.

Caitlyn was out of work for months and had difficulty finding new employment and a place to live. Her grandparents' house also had serious damage, so the family lived in a trailer until Caitlyn could find a new apartment.

Nathan, a man in his early 30s, was in a similar situation. He worked in an office scheduling medical appointments, primarily for senior patients. After the storm, many of the patients from the medical group that he worked for had to relocate to other areas.

All of the appointments were cancelled, and the majority of the elderly patients had to leave the area due to damage on their homes. No patients meant no appointments. The office manager informed Nathan that he needed to find new employment. His apartment was also seriously damaged enough to be deemed unlivable. He and his fiancée had to move in with his parents because there was no place available to rent. His fiancée had to commute two and a half hours to work at Barnes and Noble in another city because the local store was damaged.

Rebuilding.

Workers with construction skills were in high demand after the storm, but many of the professionals that traditionally get paid better than average in Northwest Florida, such as those in the medical industry, were suddenly facing serious employment issues. The other option was working minimum wage jobs at one of the slowly re-opening fast food restaurants that paid significantly less than the jobs these individuals held pre-storm.

Nathan says, "I'm not handy… I've never felt so useless."

Young people in their 20s and 30s who were on their way to a solid middle class lifestyle suddenly found themselves jobless and living with older family members whose own homes were damaged and waiting on repairs from contractors.

Six months after the storm, Caitlyn and Nathan have both found new jobs. Caitlyn is again working in the medical profession, and Nathan has become a professional writer. Caitlyn was able to find a new apartment, but it still had storm damage. Nathan and his fiancée are staying with family until the rent prices in the area return to normal.

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EDUCATIONAL

EMERALD COAST SCIENCE CENTER A unique museum allowing visitors to touch and use the exhibits, including optical illusions, a nature room and a wind tunnel. 31 SW Memorial Parkway, Fort Walton Beach, 850-664-1261. **www.ecscience.org.**

FARMERS MARKETS

30A FARMERS MARKETS Two convenient locations. Contact Diane at 850-499-4697 for more info.

- **GRAND BOULEVARD FARMERS' MARKET AT SANDESTIN** 600 Grand Boulevard, Miramar Beach. Saturdays year-round, 9 AM-1 PM
- **30A FARMERS' MARKET IN ROSEMARY BEACH COMMUNITY** Sundays year-round, 9 AM-1 PM Thursdays (Memorial Day through Labor Day), 9 AM-1 PM

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PARKS & PUBLIC BEACH ACCESS

BEASLEY WAYSIDE PARK Picnic tables, public beach area, barbecue grills, bathhouse, and restrooms. Gulf side of Okaloosa Island, Hwy. 98W.

BLACKWATER RIVER STATE PARK NW of FWB off Hwy. 90. You can catch sight of lots of wildlife while camping, canoeing, hiking, and fishing. Milton, 850-983-5363.

BLUE MOUNTAIN BEACH Public parking for this access is located at the south end of CR-83 and Scenic Highway 30-A.

BRACKIN WAYSIDE PARK Gulf side of Okaloosa Island on Hwy. 98W. Facilities include restaurants, saloons, children's playground, beach volleyball, three beach accesses, showers, public restrooms, and picnic table.

CAMP HELEN STATE PARK offers hiking, birding, beachcombing, swimming, fishing, canoeing and kayaking along with nine historic buildings. Located at 23937 Panama City Beach Parkway (U.S. 98), 12 miles east of 331, seven miles west of Highway 79. 850-233-5059.

CESSNA BAY Picnic tables, parking, rest rooms and boat access. 1476 N. CR-393.

CLEMENT E. TAYLOR CITY PARK This park is named after one of Destin's early settlers and is on Choctawhatchee Bay. Chock full of shade trees, there are picnic areas and restrooms, but no camping. Destin, off Calhoun Avenue.

DUNE ALLEN In Dune Allen beach this access has parking, but no bathrooms, showers or picnic area. 5753 Hwy 30-A W., Santa Rosa Beach.

ED WALLINE A large public beach access in South Walton, providing handicapped parking, picnic tables, restrooms and showers. Intersection of Hwy 30-A and CR-393.

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GRAYTON BEACH STATE RECREATION AREA Camping, picnics, hiking, swimming, saltwater fishing, and boating. Showers and electricity are part of the AMenities. Access from S. Hwy. 30-A, South Walton, 850-267-8300.

GRAYTON DUNES Handicapped and public parking plus beach access. Behind the Red Bar in Grayton Beach.

GULF SHORE MANOR Public restrooms, handicapped and public parking. 3468 E. Hwy 30-A, Seagrove Beach.

GULFVIEW HEIGHTS Located at the end of Gulfview Heights St, behind Goatfeather's restaurant, this access offers parking, picnic areas and restrooms.

HENDERSON BEACH STATE PARK This park has it all: camping, swimming area sheltered picnic areas, grills, and restrooms. But there is no boat ramp and jet skis and other personal watercraft are prohibited. 17000 Hwy. 98W, Destin, 850-837-7550.

INLET BEACH This area offers handicapped and public parking, restrooms and dune walkovers to the beach. 438 S. Orange St. in Inlet Beach.

LEGION BAY Picnic tables, public parking, boat ramp and restrooms. Intersection of Ponce de Leon and Crest Dr, 191 Crest Dr, Sandestin.

MARLER MEMORIAL PARK Public beach area, picnic tables, barbecue grills, boat ramp, restrooms and bathhouse. Bay side of Okaloosa Island, off Santa Rosa Blvd.

MIRAMAR BEACH ACCESS Parking with public beach access. Scenic Hwy 98 and Driftwood Road, adjacent to Pompano Joe's.

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THRIFT STORES

JUNKYARD DOG GIFT N THRIFT Voted Finest on the Emerald Coast, the store showcases a wide selection of art, furniture, home décor, linens, military items and collectibles. Rare pieces and antiques arrive daily from donors who support the store's mission. All proceeds go to support the Humane Society and Adoptive Center at PAWS. Open Tue.-Sat., 10 AM-4 PM. 179 Eglin Parkway NE, Fort Walton Beach, 850-244-1830. Follow **junkyarddoggiftnthriftstore** on Facebook**.**

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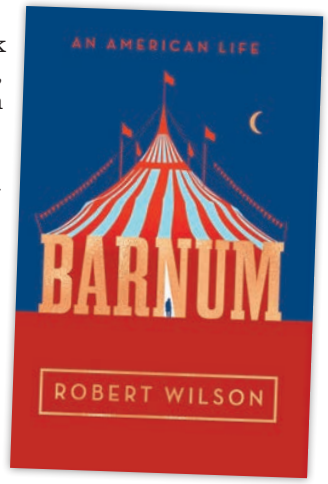
Books

Recommended Reading

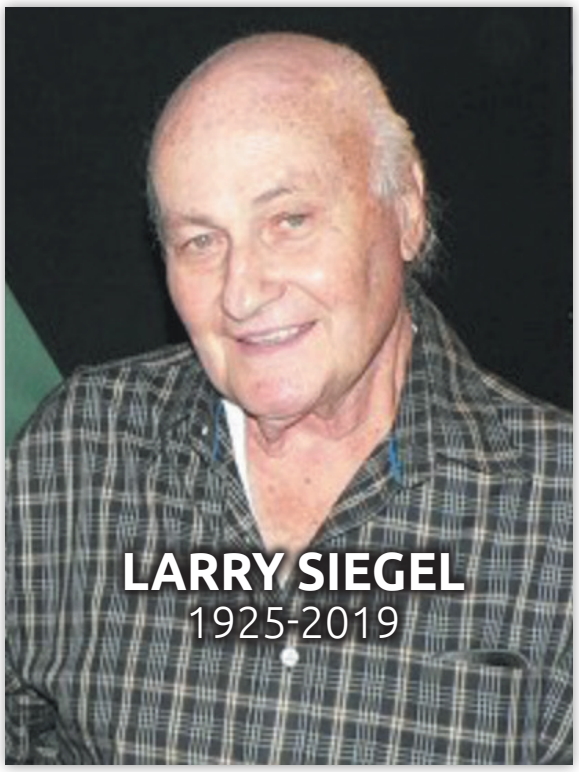
Robert Wilson
Barnum – An American Life
Simon & Schuster



P.T. Barnum didn't look like Hugh Jackman, more like Karl Malden with a little John C. Reilly. His real story is a lot more interesting—and almost as musical—than it's been depicted. Wilson's biography of the showbiz pioneer draws from letters, press releases, and business records, as well as Barnum's own grain-of-salt autobiography.

I was surprised to learn that the circus, for which Barnum is chiefly known, was a business he entered into fairly late in life. He served as a state legislator and mayor of Bridgeport, espousing a form of "new urbanism" ahead of its time.

- Bruce Collier



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Emerald Coast Wildlife Refuge
Rescuing and Rehabilitating All Types of Native Florida Life
ecwildliferefuge.com

Book Clubs

THURSDAY, SEPT. 5

ARTS AND DESIGN SOCIETY BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP
The Art Center, Fort Walton Beach, 5-6 PM
Artsdesignsociety.org
The group meets in the clay studio and is currently exploring the history of art, using Jesse Bryant Wilder's *Art History for Dummies*. Call 850-244-1271 for more info.

NORTHWEST FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION COMMITTEE BOOK CLUB
Barnes and Noble Café, NWF State College, Niceville, 4-5 PM
The group will discuss chapters one and two of *Seeing Straight: An Introduction to Gender and Sexual Privilege* by Dr. Jean Halley and Dr. Amy Eshleman.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 18

ALL ABOUT BOOKS
Mary Esther Public Library, 10 AM
850-243-5731

THURSDAY, SEPT. 26

MYSTERY BOOK CLUB
Mary Esther Public Library, 3:30 PM
850-243-5731

NORTHWEST FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION COMMITTEE BOOK CLUB
Barnes and Noble Café, NWF State College, Niceville, 4-5 PM
The group will discuss chapters three and four of *Seeing Straight: An Introduction to Gender and Sexual Privilege* by Dr. Jean Halley and Dr. Amy Eshleman.

If your book club isn't listed here, it's because you forgot to send us the info. Make things right by emailing **chris@beachcomberdestin.com!**

Upcoming Books

SEPT. 1

Jon Pareles, *New York Times Essential Library: Rock Music (A Critic's Guide to the 100 Most Important Recordings).* Paperback.

SEPT. 3

Jonathan Cahn, *The Oracle: The Jubilean Mysteries Unveiled*

Kyle Cease, *The Illusion of Money: Why Chasing Money Is Stopping You from Receiving It*

Lisa Heffernan and Mary Dell Harrington, *Grown & Flown: How to Support Your Teen, Stay Close as a Family, and Raise Independent Adults*

Randall Munroe, *How To: Absurd Scientific Advice for Common Real-World Problems*

J.D. Robb, *Vendetta in Death: An Eve Dallas Novel*

SEPT. 9

Antoni Porowski, *Antoni in the Kitchen*

SEPT. 10

Margaret Atwood, *The Testaments.* Sequel to *The Handmaid's Tale.*

Marie Forleo, *Everything is Figureoutable*

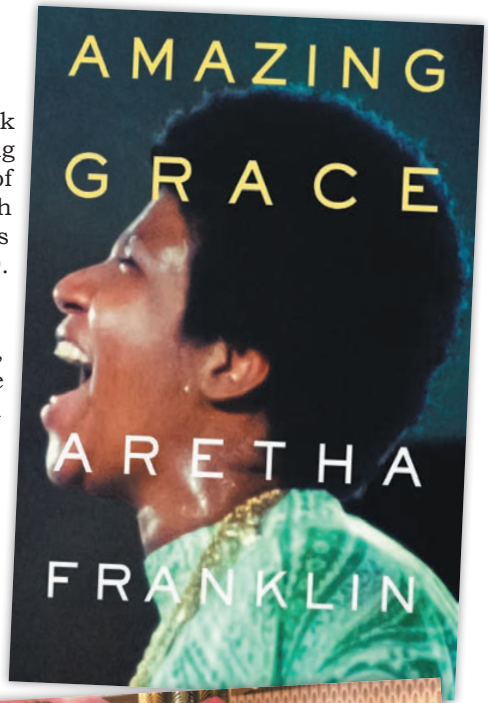
David Gahr and Chris Murray, *Bruce Springsteen: From Asbury Park, to Born to Run, to Born in the USA*

Malcolm Gladwell, *Talking to Strangers: What We Should Know About the People We Don't Know*

Stephen King, *The Institute: A Novel*

Sources: Amazon.com, Pauseandplay.com

Reviews: Aretha Goes to Church, the GLOW Gals Go to Vegas



Amazing Grace

Realized by Alan Elliott
DVD, Streaming, etc.
A mere 45 years after Sydney Pollack shot footage of Aretha Franklin recording her celebrated live gospel recording of the same name, Mr. Elliott blesses both believers and nonbelievers with what is hands-down the must see film of 2019. Or any year, for that matter.

The performances by Ms. Franklin, the Reverend James Cleveland and the choir are, thankfully, not accompanied by the usual talking heads reminiscing. In this case, the music is more than enough, and my only complaint is that I wish it were longer.

GLOW Season 3

Netflix
The latest—and best—season finds the Gorgeous Ladies of Wrestling in Vegas, grappling with relationships and a succession of post-mob sleazebags. Some of the characters who existed on the margins in previous seasons really shine this time around, thanks to superior acting and imaginative story development.

- Chris Manson

LOCAL FILM SCREENINGS

THURSDAY, SEPT. 5

KEN BURNS' "COUNTRY MUSIC"
WSRE Jean & Paul Amos Performance Studio, Pensacola, 7 PM
WSRE.org
A 45-minute screener of Ken Burns' 16-hour film series will be shown. Guests are encouraged to arrive early and stay late for bluegrass music performed by **The Gator Boys** starting at 6 PM and a panel discussion and audience Q&A following the film.

The panel discussion and Q&A features **J. Terryl Bechtol,** better known as Grand Ole Opry comedian T. Bubba Bechtol, Nashville songwriter and record producer **Rusty Budde,** Pensacola Beach Songwriters Festival Director **Reneda Cross, Ricky Lee Phelps** of the Kentucky Headhunters, and award-winning songwriter Mark Sherrill.

Admission is FREE. Due to limited seating, registration at **wsre.org/CountryMusic** is requested.

For those on the east end of WSRE's coverage area, a second screening of *Country Music* will happen Sunday, **Sept. 8,** at 2 PM at Fort Walton Beach's Suds n Cinema.

- Mary Riker

THURSDAY, SEPT. 12

MICHAEL GONDRY'S "ETERNAL SUNSHINE OF THE SPOTLESS MIND"
Mattie Kelly Arts Center, Niceville, 6:30 PM
FREE screening, plus food and drinks. A discussion of the movie with the Northwest Florida State College Film Club will follow.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 15

CARRIE HUNTER'S "BLUE TARPS: THIS IS OVER SIX MONTHS AFTER HURRICANE MICHAEL"
Suds n Cinema, Fort Walton Beach, 1 PM
A test screening of Ms. Hunter's documentary, coming on the heels of her acclaimed series of articles in *Beachcomber.* Admission is FREE, with a suggested donation to charities (still) helping storm victims.

OPENING SOON IN THEATERS

AUG. 30

Don't Let Go. "I talk to dead people on the phone…"

Saaho. Prabhas and Shraddha Kapoor.

SEPT. 6

IT: Chapter Two. Bill Hader, Bill Skarsgard, James McAvoy, Jessica Chastain. Based on the novel by Stephen King.

Source: Metacritic.com

UPCOMING DVD/ BLU-RAY/VOD RELEASES

AUG. 29

Falling Inn Love. New Netflix rom-com looks completely formulaic. We can't wait to see it.

SEPT. 3

Booksmart. Director Olivia Wilde's acclaimed high school comedy.

Ma. Octavia Spencer terrorizes the local teenagers.

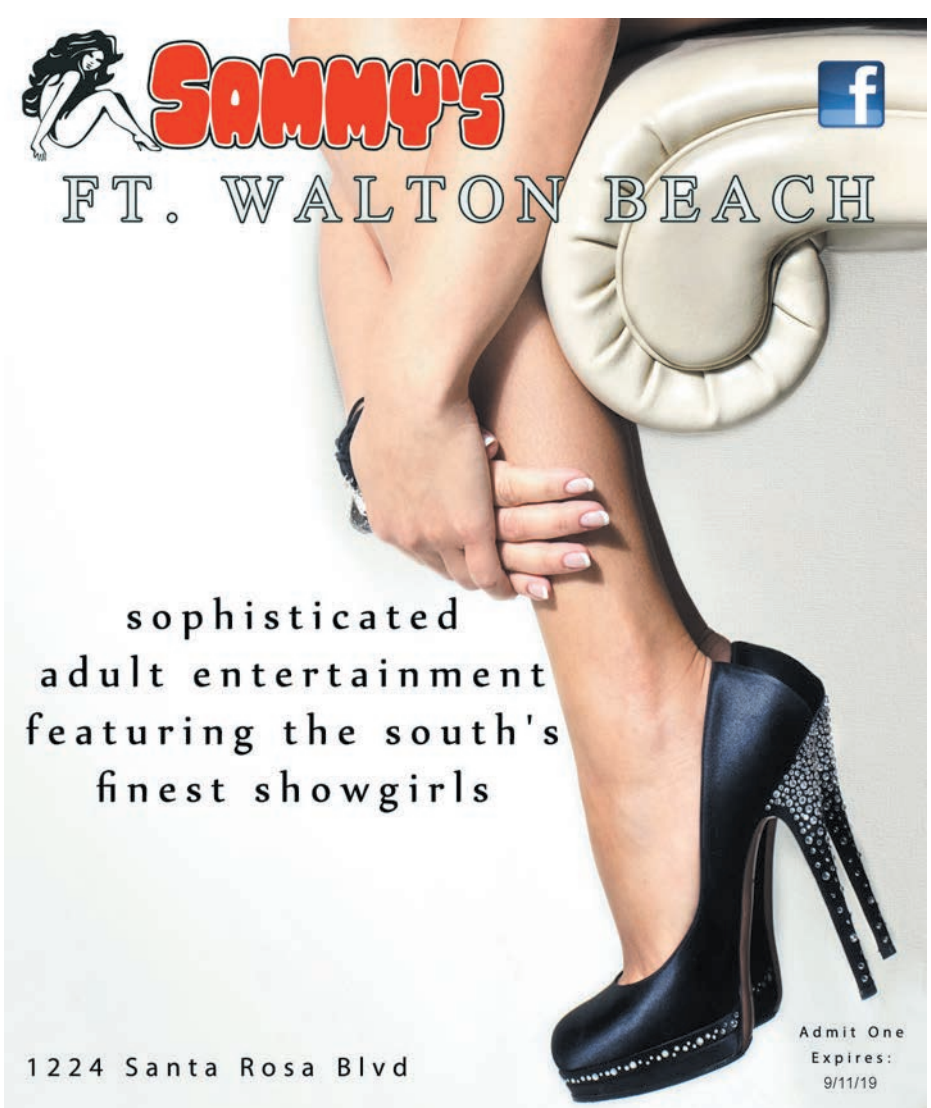
Men in Black: International. Flop reboot starring Chris Hemsworth and Tessa Thompson.

SEPT. 10

Aladdin. Will Smith in the Disney live action remake.

John Wick: Chapter 3 – Parabellum. Wall-to-wall carnage with Keanu Reeves. Highly recommended.

Source: Metacritic.com



EC Theatre Company Announces Seventh Season

Emerald Coast Theatre Company (ECTC) announces its seventh annual season on the Northwest Florida Gulf Coast.

ECTC is a nonprofit professional theater company founded by Anna and Nathanael Fisher, MFA, in 2012 with a mission to "enrich and entertain the Emerald Coast community through professional and educational theater."

After seven years, ECTC has clearly established itself as a professional theater company focused on staging thought-provoking productions and creative collaborations as well as a valued community resource for educational theater, professional acting, and creative corporate team building.

ECTC's professional main stage productions include five offerings for the 2019-20 season. All professional productions are staged at ECTC's space located upstairs at 560 Grand Boulevard in Grand Boulevard at Sandestin, located in Miramar Beach.

The Fantasticks
Sept. 26-28 and Oct. 3-5 at 7:30 PM
Sept. 29 and Oct. 6 at 2 PM
The longest running musical in the world is a funny and romantic story about a boy, a girl, and their two fathers who try to keep them apart. The narrator, El Gallo, asks the audiences to use their imagination and follow him into a world of moonlight and magic. Book and lyrics by Tom Jones, music by Harvey Schmidt. For ages 13 and older.

Miss Bennet: Christmas at Pemberley
December 12-14 and 19-21 at 7:30 PM
Dec. 15 and 22 at 2 PM
This holiday tale, adapted for the stage by Lauren Gunderson and Margot Melcon, is a charming celebration of fan favorite characters from *Pride and Prejudice,* honoring the legacy of Jane Austen's humor, playfulness and wit in a warm-spirited family holiday theatrical production. For all ages.

Buyer & Cellar
Jan. 23-25, 2020 at 7:30 PM
Jan. 26, 2020 at 2 PM
Jonathan Tolins' one-man comedy is about the price of fame and the oddest of all odd jobs. Winner of the 2014–15 Lucille Lortel Award for Outstanding Solo Show. For ages 13 and older.

Maytag Virgin
Feb. 20-22 and 27-29, 2020 at 7:30 PM
March 1, 2020 at 2 PM
Set in the small fictional town of Lenoraville, Alabama, Audrey Cefaly's *Maytag Virgin* tells the story of recently widowed Elizabeth Nash and her new next door neighbor, Jack Key. Lizzy grieves outwardly over the recent death of her husband, but her inner world is filled with deep regret and secret longing. You'll laugh, you'll cry, and you'll applaud. For mature audiences.

Treasure Island
May 14-16, 2020 at 7:30 PM
May 17, 2020 at 2 PM
The feared black spot, a dead Billy Bones, and a treasure map to Captain Flint's gold… Stow away on the Hispaniola with Long John Silver and the crew as they hunt for hidden treasure on a remote island. Young hero Emily finds mutiny, treason and double dealings around every corner in this reinvented classic tale that promises twists at every turn.

Tickets for musicals are $36 per person for adults, $34 for seniors (55 years old and up) and military, and $30 for students (must show ID). Professional production non-musicals are $32 per person for adults, $30 for seniors (55 years old and up) and military, and $28 for students.

ECTC VIP memberships are on sale now for $300 per person and include VIP badge of honor, one ticket to all professional and Theatre for Young Audiences productions, VIP reserved seating (advanced reservations required), access to the ECTC VIP lounge, and one complimentary beverage (per person per production). Purchase VIP memberships online at **www.emeraldcoasttheatre.org/tickets.**

- Zandra Wolfgram

Upcoming Shows...and More

Young munchkins—er, actors—reimagine THE WIZARD OF OZ. Learn more about Emerald Coast Theatre Company's educational programs at www.emeraldcoasttheatre.org.

SATURDAY, AUG. 31

ACT4MYSTERY'S "MURDER WITHOUT A CLUE"
Samuel's Roadhouse, Crestview, Seating at 6 PM, Dinner and Show at 6:30
Act4Mystery.com
Paula Hilton and her award-winning troupe invite you to Board Game Night…and someone is going to DIE!! With **Cynthia Bergquist, Joe Chase, Susan DeJesus, Ken Olson, Kay Yarbrough,** and *Beachcomber's* **Chris Manson** as "Colonel Custard." Cost is $38 for dinner, show, tax and gratuity. VIP packages available. Call 850-862-2885 for additional info.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 5-SATURDAY, SEPT. 7

"THE COMPLETE WORKS OF WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE (ABRIDGED)"
The REP Theater, Seaside, 7:30 PM
LoveTheREP.com
A fast-paced and absolutely hilarious ride through 37 of Shakespeare's plays in 97 minutes. Three manly men in tights with a boatload of props, wigs and outrageous costumes are on a mission—to completely bring you the magic, the genius, the towering grandeur that is the works of William Shakespeare. Join them as they blast their way through the canon of The Greatest English Playwright Who Ever Lived in one wild show that will leave you breathless and helpless with laughter.

Tickets are $30 ($24 for REP members).

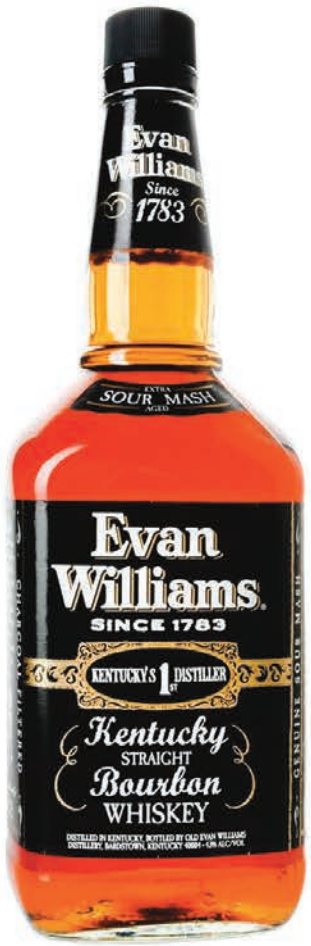
THURSDAY, SEPT. 12-SATURDAY, SEPT. 14

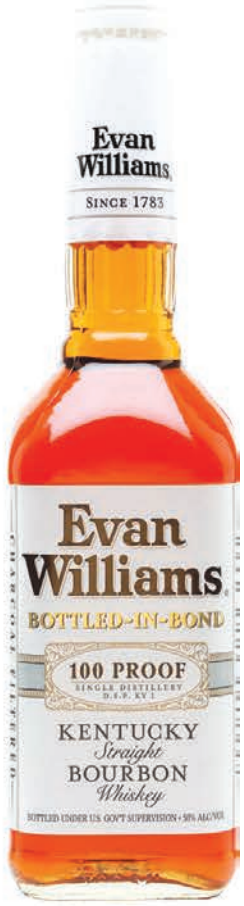
"THE COMPLETE WORKS OF WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE (ABRIDGED)"
The REP Theater, Seaside, 7:30 PM
LoveTheREP.com
Tickets are $30 ($24 for REP members).

FRIDAY, SEPT. 20-SATURDAY, SEPT. 21

"THE COMPLETE WORKS OF WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE (ABRIDGED)"
The REP Theater, Seaside, 7:30 PM
LoveTheREP.com
Tickets are $30 ($24 for REP members).

Drinking Under $15: Budget Bourbons





By Bruce Collier

Since 2007, September has been designated National Bourbon Heritage Month. Like Christmas, it's a good time to give and receive. Despite the spike in prices and the proliferation of boutique craft bourbons (with even spikier prices), the USA is still the best place to find affordable bourbon.

In years past, I wrote about bourbons for under $30, then under $20. This year I'm lowering the bar about as far down as I can go, without getting into those "blended" whiskeys that are, essentially, bourbon-flavored vodkas.

Here are six examples. Some are values, some are best used for—I don't know, marinades… Prices are for 750 ml bottles. All were tasted neat, and with a little filtered water.

Hayes Parker Reserve

90 Proof
$11.99
Said to be "at least" six months aged. Color—clear and pale. Nose—cornbread/muffin; grainy snack cracker scent, sweet, touch of dried peach or apricot fruit leather, cardboard-y. Thin, not a lot of body. A few drops of plain filtered water ramps up the cornbread scent. With water, you smell and taste roasted peanut shells and skins, breakfast cereal, Cracker Barrel's air freshener (whatever that may be), ye olde country store, grass and hay. Papery aftertaste. For the price you can do better, but at 90 proof it should brighten up your soda or cola highball.

Lone Hand Tennessee Sour Mash Whiskey

80 Proof
$14.99
Strictly speaking not bourbon, but Tennessee whiskey, charcoal filtered like Jack Daniel's (which sued for the resemblance in bottles and labels). No age statement, but it is distilled and aged in Tennessee. Darker color than the Hayes. Sweet smoke on the nose, wood and graphite pencil shavings. First sip is warm and sweet, trails off quickly. Second sip is smoother, with more body. Slight taste of burnt sugar, like charred marshmallow. Quarter teaspoon of water brought out a varnished wood scent, which more water opened out into a sweeter, corn muffin and barbecue aroma. The taste got sweeter and a little waxy. More character than the Hayes, and at a lower proof.

Black Eagle

80 Proof
$13.99
Produced (likely not distilled) in Princeton, Minnesota, aged 3 years. Light color. Nose indicates to me a good dose of rye in mash bill, nutty cereal scent, apple peel. Taste first sip—dried apple, a little cinnamon. More time in glass amps up the apple and spice—kind of a fruit pastry. It's delicate and a little faint, but there's a cleanness and straightforwardness about it that I liked.

If it were a dollar or two cheaper, I'd say it's a bargain buy. I'd like to taste it at 90 or even 100 proof. More water brings out more of the pastry dough scent, and a fragrance of pear.

This is a good one to have short with a single cube of ice, or highball style, with more ice and plenty of water for a "Kentucky iced tea." Very drinkable.

Evan Williams Black

86 Proof
$14.49
"Straight bourbon" means at least two years old, and this is reportedly between five and seven years old. Darker in color, more reddish. Nose is wood, menthol, pencil shavings, honeycomb, vanilla extract. Taste—sweet on the entry, smoothly warm, bittersweet honey or syrup. A few drops of water didn't add or subtract much. Good to know if you want a bourbon and water that still tastes like bourbon.

Jim Beam Repeal Batch Non-Chill Filtered

86 Proof
$11.99
A limited edition (honoring the 85th anniversary of Prohibition Repeal in 1933), so price and availability could vary; I bought mine under the price limit. Golden honey color. Nose is sweet and honey-like, candied pear, pickled ginger and spices, burnt sugar. Taste is sweet, warm, then trails off. With a few drops of water it sweetens and gets much more woodiness on the nose. Water brings more out in this bourbon than in others.

Evan Williams White Label Bonded

100 Proof
$14-15
Bonded whiskey is the product of a single distillery in a single distilling season, aged at least four years old and bottled at 100 proof. Darker, slightly reddish copper color. Nose is honeycomb, burnt sugar, candied orange peel. Taste is warm honey, a little dried peach or nectarine on the finish. With a few drops of filtered water you smell baked cornbread, waffles and syrup. More water brings out the scent of orange peel and pith. This is a lot of bourbon for the dollar—Best Value Pick.

Restaurant Guide

If your favorite restaurant isn't listed here, let us know by dropping an email to us at **chris@beachcomberdestin.com!**

AMERICAN

BAXTER'S BAR & GRILLE is off the beaten path but well worth it. Great food and environment for all. Our burgers and deli meat are cut fresh daily, never frozen. Try our smoked wings or hand-tossed pizza. Great prices! Join us for your events or parties in our dining room. Several TVs, pool tables, darts. Cribbage Tuesday nights starting at 7. Veteran owned. 605 James Lee Road, Fort Walton Beach, 850-812-6868.

RESTAURANT PARADIS Nestled in the beautiful coastal town of Rosemary Beach, you'll find this hidden gem that loyal customers like to call home. Evoking a warm neighborhood feel, the dining area features an understated wine country elegance. Open for dinner beginning at 5 PM, Paradis is committed to serving fresh seasonal ingredients, which celebrate local produce and an abundance of fresh Gulf seafood, along with prime steaks and fine wines. Paradis welcomes wedding receptions, rehearsal dinners, and all celebrations, both intimate and large. Come join us! Located at 82 S Barrett Square, Rosemary Beach. Call 850-534-0400 or visit **www.restaurantparadis.com**.

SLICK MICK'S is a family-friendly sports bar and a locals' favorite. Home of the Slick Mick's Philly Cheesesteak, award-winning pizza and much more. Live music every Friday and Saturday, and a Sunday brunch that will knock your church socks off! Full football coverage—catch SEC, BIG 10 and NFL games, plus UFC fight nights. Kids eat FREE every Tuesday. Full bar with a variety of beers on tap. Daily happy hour, 3-7 PM. Can't make it in? That's okay, we have delivery. Veteran owned and operated, we are proud to serve our community and offer military discounts. 19 Eglin Parkway NE, Fort Walton Beach, 850-864-5577.

ASIAN

LIN'S ASIAN CUISINE Enjoy carefully prepared and artfully served Chinese and Southeast Asian dishes in a pleasant and welcoming atmosphere. Chicken, beef, pork, duck, fish and shellfish are cooked to suit most tastes, and Lin's offers your favorites—General Tso's chicken, Mongolian beef, pad thai, lo mein and kung pao, AMong many others. Beer and wine. $2-15. 130 Scenic Gulf Dr. #5B, Miramar Beach, 850-424-5888.

BAKERIES

CAKEMASTER'S BAKERY II Quality baked goods since 1971, made from scratch on the premises by a fourth generation baker. Decorated cakes for all occasions. New Sweet Expressions cake collection. Breakfast pastries—Danish (cheese, pecan, fruit), assorted coffee cakes, cinnamon rolls, crumb cake, strudel, bienstich, pecan crispies. Delicious delights—brownies, ragulah, cream fingers, biscotti, cookies (wedding, sugar, chocolate chip, raisin, fruit bars, holiday) and more. Refrigerated desserts—éclairs, Boston cream pie, cheesecake, black forest cake, Italian rum cake, Napoleons, French creampuffs and more. Come on by and see us. 105 Beach Drive Suite A-3, Fort Walton Beach (behind Pizza Hut on Racetrack Road), 850-862-4911. Closed Mondays.

BARBEQUE

BACK BEACH BARBECUE offers a delicious yet refined menu highlighted by 12-hour slow cooked meats, simple homemade sides, gluten-free options and four sauces made special in house. At the center of attention are the restaurant's two wood fired pits, "Smokey" and "The Bandit," easily viewed and smelled from the covered patio, outdoor patio or via two garage doors which give the restaurant a true open-air feel. Back Beach Barbecue also offers catering for private and corporate events, delivery and a mobile food truck. The restaurant is open seven days a week for breakfast, lunch, and dinner, beginning at 6:30 AM. Located at 19714 Panama City Beach Parkway, Panama City Beach. Call 850-249-0822 or visit **www.backbeachbarbecue.com**.

LILLIE'S Q Award-winning on the national level barbecue restaurant located at 9848 Hwy. 98 W., Miramar Beach, approximately seven miles east of the Mid Bay Bridge. We offer barbecue that represents all areas of the U.S., such as pulled pork, baby back ribs, smoked chicken breast and beef tri-tip (sliced sirloin). All meat products are slow smoked using natural wood and lump charcoal. Seven sauce choices with delicious side orders and the best banana pudding in the Panhandle. We offer a wrap around porch. No inside seating. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 11 AM-6 PM Call ahead orders welcomed! 850-654-3911. **www.restaurantji.com/fl/miramar-beach/lillies-q-**.

BREAKFAST & MORE

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GRITS AND GRIND In 2011, a love affair between Memphis and the NBA Grizzlies began. With a Grit and Grind style of basketball, this southern team exemplifies hard work. Our owners bring the same commitment to hard work and fresh food at Grits & Grind, a breakfast establishment located in Seacrest Beach. We serve up a great southern breakfast and more, with friendly service in a fun atmosphere. Open daily, 7-11 AM. 10343 E Co. Hwy. 30A, Seacrest Beach, 850-231-4021. **gritsandgrindbreakfast.com**.

THE LOCAL MARKET Open 7 AM-3 PM daily. Fresh pressed juices, coffee, breakfast, gourmet sandwiches, homemade ice cream and more. 950 Gulf Shore Drive, Destin, 850-460-8979.

THE PANCAKERY Serving breakfast and lunch daily from 7 AM - 2 PM Featuring build your own pancakes and omelettes! Waffles, French Toast, crepes, benedicts, bananas foster and all traditional breakfast items. Also, lunch menu includes sandwiches, burgers, salads, wraps, and loaded potatoes. Now serving bloody marys, mimosas and cold beer. 960 Hwy 98 East, Suite 104, Destin. 850-269-0791.

BURGERS

AL'S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR Located on the Okaloosa Island Boardwalk, 850-226-4100. **ALSBEACHCLUB.COM**

CASUAL DINING

GRAFFITI & THE FUNKY BLUES SHACK Destin, 850-424-6650. **GraffitiFBS.com**

CONTEMPORARY

LOUIS LOUIS Louis Louis is another dining hit. This "sister" restaurant to the famous Red Bar offers a short but all-star menu of fish, chicken, pork, crab cakes and pasta entrees, served in fat portions by a friendly staff. Do whatever you have to do, but don't skip dessert. Colorful décor, comfy tables, full bar, $5-25. 35 Mussett Bayou Rd., Santa Rosa Beach, 850-267-1500.

DINNER & A SHOW

GRAFFITI & THE FUNKY BLUES SHACK If you're looking for something different in town for the whole family, come enjoy Graffiti & The Funky Blues Shack. We've been around for 20-plus years doing what we do best – FOOD + MUSIC! Our dishes are tried and true and are sure to satisfy everyone in your group. Our menu showcases a little bit of everything. We offer some of the best gourmet pizzas and pastas in town. We also prepare fresh caught Gulf seafood and perfectly grilled filets. Vegetarian? No worries, we've got you covered, too. While enjoying your delectable meal, you will also experience listening or boogieing to some of the best local and out-of-town talent. We have Jazz Jams, Blues Jams, and everything in between. We weren't voted Best Live Music Venue three years in a row for nothing! Summer music schedule is seven days a week—Sun.-Thu., 7-10 PM and Fri. and Sat., 8 PM until… We have a full bar and offer an early Happy Hour from 4 to 7 PM, as well as a late night Happy Hour Friday and Saturday (check website for time). Located at 34902 Emerald Coast Parkway in Destin. For reservations, call 850-424-6650. Full menu and music schedule at **GraffitiFBS.com.**

REDD'S FUELING STATION a/k/a Redd's Pub N Song, specializes in great food and music. The menu is simple but delicious, including slow cooked beef brisket, sweet and spicy babybacks and fried green tomato BLTs. **Redd the Singing Bartender** sings as she bartends, hosts and serves on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays—customers can participate by requesting songs for tips. Redd offers over 350 songs to choose from. Wednesday is Open Mic Night, the longest running open mic on 30A with musicians of all levels and ages welcome. We have the sound system, you bring your instrument and your talent. Friday nights are live music. Redd likes to promote local musicians and several popular local bands had their first gigs here, including the Luke Langford Band and Mose Wilson and the Delta Twang. Dinner reservations for four or more are highly recommended. Located at 2320 West County Highway 30A in Blue Mountain Beach. Call 850-325-0252 for information and reservations. Visit **www.reddsfuel.com** and find **Redd's Pub N Song** on Facebook.

ECLECTIC

CAFÉ THIRTY-A Cafe Thirty-A has been here a while. Finding out why can be a delicious experience. A nightly-changing menu offers steaks, chicken, pork, lamb, and local seafood elegantly prepared with imaginative sauces and sides, courteously served in a beautiful beach-house atmosphere. Lobster bisque, stone crab claws, seasonal fish and shellfish, and wood oven-baked pizzas. Full bar. $8-36. 3899 E. Scenic Highway 30-A, Seagrove Beach, 850-231-2166.

GRAFFITI & THE FUNKY BLUES SHACK Destin, 850-424-6650. **GraffitiFBS.com**

THE RED BAR The place to go—and say you went—in Grayton Beach. The Red Bar offers breakfast, lunch and dinner, with a short but expertly prepared menu of sandwiches, soup and salads for lunch, chicken, local fish, pasta and crab cakes for dinner. The apple dumpling will haunt you, in a good way. Live music, and more local color than you'll know what to do with. Full bar, $4-21. 70 Hotz Avenue, Grayton Beach, 850-231-1008. **www.theredbar.com.**

FINE DINING

EDWARD'S FINE FOOD AND WINE Relax, you're at Edward's. Open everyday from 5 PM until everyone is full. Courtyard and indoor seating available. Join us at the chef's counter, and watch as the team prepares gourmet dishes to order. We love children, so for safety and as a courtesy to others, children must remain seated with their parents. We operate on a first come first serve and do not take reservations. We look forward to serving you. 66 Main Street, Rosemary Beach, 850-231-0550. **Edwards30a.com**.

GERMAN/AMERICAN

FOKKERS PUB German sausages and homemade schnitzels go great with German beer! Brick oven pizza, grilled or fried wings, burgers, sandwiches and salad bar – there's something for everyone! Live music Wednesdays and Fridays. Located at 215 Miracle Strip Pkwy SE Unit #1 in Downtown Fort Walton Beach. 850-244-6666.

HEALTHY DINING

GEORGE'S AT ALYS BEACH Established in 2008, George's has offered regional coastal fare infused with global flavors to the quaint town of Alys Beach. We craft all of our dishes using locally sourced organic produce and the freshest seafood available, and present each with a generous helping of love. Our dishes fall into two categories—Behave and Misbehave. The Behave section features organic, spa-inspired dishes, while the Misbehave side touts traditional beach fare like fried seafood baskets and po-boys. The menu is rounded out with a thoughtfully curated wine list and a selection of decadent desserts. Our charming beach cottage provides the perfect backdrop for a casual dinner with friends and family. Dine indoors in our airy yet cozy dining room, or soak in the beautiful Florida sunshine on our front deck or screened porches. Open 11 AM-3 PM and 5-9 PM 30 Castle Harbour Dr., Panama City Beach, 850-641-0017, **georgesatalysbeach.net.**

ITALIAN

CIAO ITALIA BISTRO Dine inside or outside at Guglielmo Ianni's latest bistro. The big menu offers classic Italian appetizers like bruschetta, caprese and calamari, and a range of pasta, chicken, meat, fish and shellfish entrees—puttanesca, Bolognese, parmigiana, pescatore, and some house originals. Daily specials, family dining options, comfortable atmosphere and friendly service. Full bar. Open Monday through Saturday, 5-10 PM 985 U.S. 98 East, Suite F, Destin, 850-842-4677.

GRAFFITI & THE FUNKY BLUES SHACK Destin, 850-424-6650. **GraffitiFBS.com**

TUSCANY ITALIAN BISTRO Authentic Italian cuisine includes pasta, freshest seafood, tender veal and more. A true taste of Italy--beautiful Italian decor with handpainted murals. Live

Entertainment by Eclipse (Don and AManda), Special Happy Hour from 5 to 8 PM 36178 Emerald Coast Pkwy. Next to City Market in Destin. 850-650-2451.

LATIN / MEXICAN

BUD & ALLEY'S TACO BAR Shake the sand off your feet, choose a colorful table, and get ready to experience South of the Border favorites, Florida-style. Baja fish tacos, homemade guacamole, burritos, top shelf margaritas, and ice cold cerveza hit the spot for lunch or dinner. Open daily, 11 AM-9 PM 2236 East Scenic Highway 30A, Seaside, 850-231-4781. **BudAndAlleys.com.**

LA COCINA is a Latin-inspired restaurant featuring both specialty dishes with a Latin flair as well as classic Tex-Mex cuisine. Nestled between Rosemary Beach and Alys Beach (in Seacrest Beach), the friendly staff offers some of the best drinks along 30A, including house-made mojitos, sangria, and a selection of fresh-squeezed lime margaritas. La Cocina is always voted as one of South Walton's hot spots for Mexican cuisine. All dishes are prepared from scratch using the freshest ingredients available. Open daily for lunch, 11:30 AM-3 PM, dinner from 5 to 9 PM. Seacrest Beach, 850-231-4021.

LA PAZ offers just about anything you'd want from a Mexican-Southwestern kitchen, including tamales, tacos, fajitas, burritos, enchiladas and quesadillas, plus a thoughtfully prepared list of grilled local fish and shellfish and imaginative spins on classics. Daily dinner specials, full bar. $15-25. 950 Gulf Shore Drive, Destin, 850-837-2247. **www.lapazdestin.com.**

PEPITO'S MEXICAN GRILL An enormous menu, plenty of room, and a friendly staff make Pepito's a good bet for a Mexican snack or feast. Traditional and unusual fare includes carnitas, enchiladas, fajitas, vegetarian dishes, steaks and seafood specialties. $4-19. 757 Harbor Blvd, Destin, 650-7734. Additional locations in Bluewater Bay and Fort Walton Beach. **www.mypepitos.com**.

ROCKIN TACOS GRILL & TEQUILA BAR Located on the Okaloosa Island Boardwalk, 850-226-8226. **ROCKINTACOS.COM**

PIZZA & PASTA

BUD & ALLEY'S PIZZA BAR + TRATTORIA Savor artisan cheese, fresh salad, antipasto dishes, homemade soups, seasonal vegetables, hearty pastas and wood-fired pizza. Experience these authentic flavors in the courtyard, fireside at the bar, or on the veranda overlooking the Gulf. Open daily for lunch and dinner, 11 AM-9 PM 2236 East Scenic Highway 30A, Seaside, 850-231-3113. **BudAndAlleysPizzaBar.com.**

GRAFFITI & THE FUNKY BLUES SHACK Destin, 850-424-6650. **GraffitiFBS.com**

MELLOW MUSHROOM PIZZA BAKERY Widely, wildly assorted menu of stone baked pizzas, hoagies, calzones, salads, and specialty items. Pizzas traditional and exotic include pesto, jerk chicken, gourmet white, and Magical Mystery Tour. Colorful psychedelic décor and friendly service. $4-25. 960 Hwy 98E, Sunsations Plaza, Destin, 650-6420.

SEAFOOD

CAPT. DAVE'S ON THE GULF A tradition since 1977, Capt. Dave's is a go-to place for the kind of seafood that made this area famous. A time-tested selection of fried, grilled, and broiled fish, shellfish, steaks and chicken, with house and seasonal specialties. Full bar. $5-25. 3796 Scenic Hwy 98, Destin, 850-837-2627.

THE CRAB TRAP SEAFOOD AND OYSTER BAR Destin, 850-654-2722. **CRABTRAPFLORIDA.COM**

THE CRAB TRAP SEAFOOD AND OYSTER BAR Located on the Okaloosa Island Boardwalk, 850-301-0959. **CRABTRAPFLORIDA.COM**

DEWEY DESTIN'S HARBORSIDE RESTAURANT The classics, done right. Shrimp, crab, tuna, grouper, scallops, oysters and some land-based items, served fried, grilled, or steamed in most conceivable combinations. Family-friendly, accommodating staff. Nightly specials, full bar. Open daily at 11 AM 202 Harbor Boulevard, Destin, 850-837-7525.

DEWEY DESTIN'S NAVARRE All your favorites, plus live music with Beachcomber Music Award winner Austin Jennings every Saturday night from 8 to 11. Open Sun.-Thu., 11 AM-8 PM, and Fri.-Sat., 11 AM-9 PM. 8673 Navarre Parkway, Navarre, 850-710-7070.

DEWEY DESTIN'S SEAFOOD RESTAURANT Get fed with the real locals on Calhoun. Dine inside or out on the water, choosing from grilled and fried local fish and shellfish. Oysters, scallops, shrimp, crab, yellowfin and daily catch served in baskets, on platters or on sandwiches with gumbo, apps and salads that all go well with the laid-back setting. Beer and wine. Open daily at 11 AM 9 Calhoun Avenue, Destin, 850-837-7575.

FLOYD'S SHRIMP HOUSE Located on the Okaloosa Island Boardwalk, 850-243-2232. **FLOYDSSHRIMPHOUSE.COM**

GRANDE VISTA BAR & GRILL Located in the Emerald Grande. Open daily 7 AM-9 PM for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Grande Vista Bar & Grill has delicious local seafood, signature sandwiches and mouth-watering burgers. Enjoy casual or business lunch inside or poolside overlooking the Destin Harbor. Enjoy special drink prices inside or outside at our poolside bar. The view from our pool deck is simply breathtaking. Half-priced drinks daily, 4-6 PM 10 Harbor Blvd., Destin, 850-337-8100 x1550. **info@emeraldgrande.com.**

HARBOR DOCKS on the historic Destin Harbor has been serving simply prepared Gulf to table seafood from its own market since 1979. Offering hearty breakfasts, a lunch menu featuring blue plate specials alongside authentic Thai dishes, and the area's best sushi by world famous Chef Yoshie Eddings. In addition to traditional Gulf seafood dishes, there is something for everyone. 538 Harbor Blvd., Destin, 850-837-2506. **harbordocks.com.**

HARRY T'S LIGHTHOUSE Located in HarborWalk Village right on the beautiful Destin Harbor, Harry T's has something for all ages! With entrees ranging from fresh local seafood to our gourmet hamburgers, there's something for everyone! Voted Best Place to Watch the Sunset four years in a row, our outside deck offers an unparalleled view of the Destin Harbor. Mega Happy Hour Mon.-Fri. 11 AM-7 PM 46 Harbor Blvd., Destin, 850-654-4800. **info@harryts.co.**

OLD BAY STEAMER Wide variety of fresh steamed seafood served in every imaginable combination. Choose from crab, shrimp, lobster, oysters, clams, mussels, and fresh catch of the day. Pasta and steak/seafood pairings also offered. Friendly, efficient service. Open daily for dinner, with full bar. $4-27, 102 Santa Rosa Blvd., Okaloosa Island, 664-2795.

ORIGINAL WATERFRONT CRAB SHACK Located on the water. The Crab Shack serves crab, shrimp, oysters, mussels, scallops and assorted local fish in an informal and family-friendly atmosphere. Crab steamer buckets, fried seafood baskets, sandwiches and po-boys, and some land-based items. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Daily specials, inside and outside dining. Full bar. $3-45. 104 Miracle Strip Pkwy., Fort Walton Beach. 850-664-0345.

POMPANO JOE'S Come on in for some fun and fresh seafood with a very exciting flavor. Try our famous reggae rolls and our garlic crusted grouper! Lunch and dinner. Open daily from

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Restaurant Guide

11 AM 2237 Scenic Gulf Highway, Destin. Take Holiday Road South, turn right on scenic Hwy. 98, drive down about two blocks, and you'll find us on the left side. **www.pompano-joes.com**. 850-837-2224.

SALTWATER GRILL We provide a relaxing, casual atmosphere designed to heighten the enjoyment of our customers' dining experience. Most of our tables have entertaining views of a 25,000-gallon aquarium filled with dozens of exotic fish. Our Gulf fresh seafood and choice steaks are AMazing. We welcome you to join us. Open daily—Sun.-Thu., 4-10 PM, Fri.-Sat., 4-11 PM. Panama City Beach, 850-230-2739.

STINKY'S FISH CAMP Seafood is king at this informal Santa Rosa Beach eatery. Oysters "all ways," crawfish pie, catfish or frog legs meuniere, and gumbo are just a few of the Louisiana-inspired dishes. Service is friendly and attentive. Open daily 11 AM to 10 PM Serving brunch on Sunday from 10 AM to 3 PM Beer, wine and live music at Stinky's Bait Shack from 6 to 9 PM 5960 Scenic Highway 30A, Santa Rosa Beach, 850-267-3053.

THE SURF HUT Miramar Beach, 850-460-7750. **SURFHUTDESTIN.COM**

SPORTS BARS

SLICK MICK'S19 Eglin Parkway NE, Fort Walton Beach, 850-864-5577. Please see full listing under American section.

STEAKS

MCGUIRE'S IRISH PUB OF DESTIN One of AMerica's Great Steak Houses. Feasting, Imbibery and Debauchery. We are known for great food, exceptional service, our own craft brewed beers, and fun live entertainment. Open LATE, from 11 AM to 1:45 AM seven days a week. 33 U.S. 98, Destin, 850-650-0000, **www.mcguiresirishpub.com.**

RUTH'S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE serves the finest aged, corn-fed USDA Prime beef. Broiled in a trademark 1,800° broiler and served on a plate heated to 500 degrees, your steak is presented sizzling hot at your table. Happy hour daily from 5 to 7 PM in any of our three bars, including the new East Bar. We boast an array of private event spaces, our own private billiard room, valet parking, and live entertainment five nights a week from *Billboard*-charting recording artist Michael J Thomas (upon availability). Open seven days a week at 5 PM For reservations, call 850-837-RUTH (7884) or visit **www.RuthsChrisDestin.com.**

SALTWATER GRILL Open 4-10 PM 1100 Hutchinson Blvd., Panama City Beach, 850-230-2739, **saltwatergrillpcb.com.**

SUSHI

JACKACUDAS SEAFOOD & SUSHI is a locally-owned seafood and sushi restaurant overlooking the historic Destin Harbor. The name derives from a famous fishing hole located 34 miles southwest of the Destin Harbor at 30'04.250N and 87'02.125W. Specializing in fresh, locally sourced seafood and products to provide our guests with classic Gulf Coast seafood dishes with New South culinary preparation. Open daily, 11 AM-10 PM 56 Harbor Blvd., Destin, 850-424-3507. **www.jackacudas.com.**

TAPAS AND WINE

LA CREMA TAPAS AND CHOCOLATE Spanish-inspired tapas restaurant featuring unique tapas and Spanish wines. The European vibe provides a relaxing atmosphere where we encourage guests to share dishes, converse and enjoy Rosemary Beach living. Open 11 AM-9 PM 38 Main St., Rosemary Beach, 850-624-7282, **lacrematapas.com.**

WATERFRONT DINING

BUD & ALLEY'S WATERFRONT RESTAURANT A pioneer of the fish- and farm-to-table movement, with an award-winning menu featuring Gulf Coast classics paired with Southern-style cuisine. The daily Sunset Celebration ritual on the Rooftop Deck overlooking the Gulf has been a tradition for more than 30 years. Open daily for breakfast (8-11 AM), lunch (11 AM-2:30 PM) and dinner (from 5 PM). Hours may vary. 2236 East Scenic Highway 30A, Seaside, 850-231-5900. **BudAndAlleys.com.**

CRAB ISLAND CANTINA Traditional and not so traditional Mexican and Latin food, featuring snapper enchiladas, grouper tacos, and award-winning seafood chorizo gumbo. Great selection of seafood dishes and Black Angus steaks, and all are big portions so make sure you're hungry. Spacious dining area, multiple bars, even a fountain, plus the view of Destin Bridge and the East Pass. Full bar, wide choice of margaritas and beers, $4-28, HarborWalk Village, Destin, inside the Crab Island Cantina Complex. 850-424-7417. **www.CrabIslandCantina.com.**

JIMMY BUFFETT'S MARGARITAVILLE From a volcano flowing with Margaritas to suspended airplanes, Margaritaville is more than a restaurant; it's a state of mind. Open daily, 11 AM-10 PM Five O'Clock Somewhere celebration Mon.-Thu., 4-7 PM 76 Harbor Blvd., Destin, 850-460-7700. **www.margaritavilledestin.com.**

LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S DESTIN is located next to the Mid Bay Bridge and Legendary Marine on the Choctawhatchee Bay in beautiful Destin, Florida. A little off the beaten path, but we like a little more room to breathe. Specializing in the BEST Burgers in Paradise, Southern Favorites and Lucy's own GUMBO LOVE! Family friendly! Come by boat, anchor and wade in or call for our boat shuttle. Open daily at 11 AM. Live music nightly. Separate allergy menu. Beach for the kids to play, Fountain of Youth, LuLu's Gift Shop. 850-710-LULU (5858). **www.lulubuffett.com/destin.**

VUE ON 30A showcases one of the best views for dining in all of South Walton. Open to the public and serving lunch, dinner, happy hour and Sunday brunch. Named "Best Restaurant of 2014" by Beachcomber, Vue on 30a offers the ultimate dining experience. Open for Sunday brunch, 10 AM-2 PM; Tue.-Thu.—lounge 3-9 PM, dinner 5-9 PM; Fri.-Sat.—lounge 3-10 PM, dinner 5-10 PM; closed Mondays. Happy hour in the lounge only 3-6 PM. Two for one entrée specials Wed.-Sat., 5-6 PM. 4801 Scenic Highway 30A, Santa Rosa Beach, 850-267-2305. **www.Vueon30a.com.**

WINE BARS

TWISTED GRAPE CAFÉ AND WINE BAR in Shalimar is an eclectic restaurant serving lunch and dinner with a varied menu of tapas style plates, flatbreads, Panini, award-winning ZinGouda burger and lasagna at dinnertime, and unique desserts. Our wine list includes wines from around the world. We host fundraising events and are available for any special occasion. Open Mon.-Thu. 11 AM-9 PM, 11 AM-10 PM Fridays, and 5-10 PM Saturdays. 1193 B Eglin Parkway, Shalimar, 850-651-5100. **twistedgrapewinebar.com**

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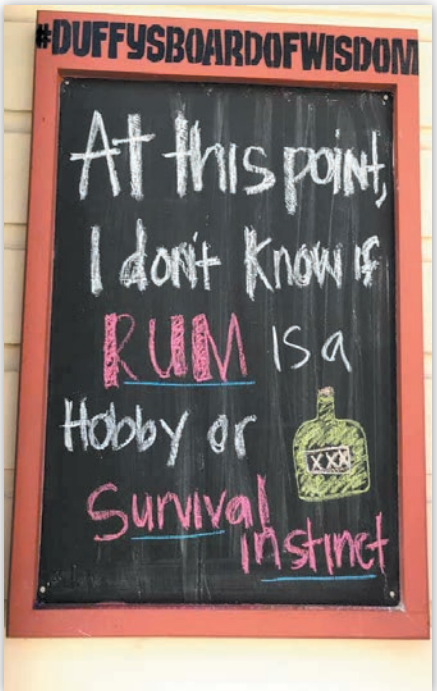

BAXTER'S BAR & GRILLE

605 James Lee Road

Fort Walton Beach

850-812-6868

When: 3-6 PM and 10 PM-Midnight daily.

Drink Specials: $3 wells, $2 drafts.

CAMILLE'S AT CRYSTAL BEACH

2931 Scenic Highway 98, Destin

850-337-8860

When: 3-5 PM daily.

Drink Specials: Lots, including Camille's Signature Sangria. Plus a stunning view of the Gulf.

FOKKER'S PUB

215 Miracle Strip Parkway SE Unit #1, Fort Walton Beach

850-244-6666

When: 3-7 PM every day except Tuesday (closed).

Drink Specials: $2 domestic beers, $3 well drinks (Jack, Jim, Bacardi, etc.), $3 house wines, $1 off everything else.

GRAFFITI & THE FUNKY BLUES SHACK

34902 Emerald Coast Parkway, Destin

850-424-6650

GraffitiFBS.com

When: 4-7 PM daily, late night happy hour Friday and Saturday, 10 PM-midnight.

GRANDE VISTA

Emerald Grande, HarborWalk Village, Destin

850-337-8100, ext. 1550

When: 4-6 PM daily.

Drink Specials: All drinks half off (except bottles of wine and Drink Special of the Day), plus specially priced apps.

HARRY T'S

HarborWalk Village, Destin

850-654-4800

When: Mon.-Fri., 11 AM-7 PM—downstairs bar only.

Drink Specials: Half off drinks.

JACKACUDAS

HarborWalk Village, Destin

850-424-3507

When: Monday-Friday, 3-6 PM Sushi bar and bar area only. Bonzai Wednesdays, 6 PM-close with half price sake, house wine, apps and sushi rolls.

Drink Specials: Half-price hot sake carafes, house wine pours, select draft beers and select apps, plus $5 California rolls, spicy krab rolls and crunch salmon rolls.

JIMMY BUFFETT'S MARGARITAVILLE

HarborWalk Village, Destin

850-460-7700

When: Monday-Friday, 10 PM-close.

Drink Specials: $3 14-ounce Bud Light or Landshark draft, $4 Barefoot cabernet and chardonnay, $5 "Who's to Blame" margaritas and "5 O'Clock Somewhere" cocktails.

LA PAZ

950 Gulf Shore Drive, Destin

850-837-2247

When: 4-6 PM daily.

Drink Specials: $5 top shelf Margaritas, FREE chips and salsa.

RESTAURANT PARADIS

82 S Barrett Square, Rosemary Beach

850-534-0400

Drink Specials: Daily from 5 to 6 PM—New Amsterdam Vodka Martinis for $5. Every Tuesday and Thursday from 5 to 7 PM—$5 select martinis and $7 select wines.

SAMMY'S

1224 Santa Rosa Blvd., Fort Walton Beach

When: Early happy hour, 1-6 PM Late night happy hour, 2-4 AM Never a cover charge for escorted women, military, or restaurant-hotel-bar employees.

Drink Specials: Early happy hour—two for $5 well drinks, $10 buckets of beer, two-for-one shot specials, no cover charge. Late night happy hour—two for $6 well drinks, $12 buckets of beer, two-for-one shot specials, no cover charge after 3 AM

SLICK MICK'S

19 Eglin Parkway NE

Fort Walton Beach

850-864-5577

When: 3-7 PM daily.

TWISTED GRAPE CAFÉ AND WINE BAR

1193B Eglin Parkway, Shalimar

850-651-5100

When: Monday-Friday, 11 AM-7 PM

Drink Specials: $1 off all Twisted (house) wines.

ADVCE: Business, Personal and Tattoo Fails

By Dawn Bright

Dear Dawn,
I went to a website recently that had a weird name made up of five (apparently) random letters. Then I saw on the bottom of the page instructions on how to pronounce it. My partner and I are in the process of starting up a business and discussing the name. She likes this type of thing, but I don't. What do you think.
- Angela L. from Destin

Interesting question, Angela. I'm sure when they came up with that name they thought it would be very memorable. And even though this may have backfired on them, they might still think it's quite clever and have no plans to change it. There's also the issue of other items with that name prominently displayed, such as merchandise and advertising materials, so changing the name can be very expensive. Do some research, but in general, here's the common advice on creating a name—keep it short and simple, don't get cutesy, don't use dashes, and end with ".com," the domain extension most people automatically type in. And if you already have a weirdly named site? Consider making a change. It could be costly initially, but you'll make up for it by *not* losing potential customers who just can't remember your site name.

Dear Dawn,
I have a tattoo on my rear end that I got when I was 25 years younger and 30 pounds lighter. It doesn't look like the original tattoo anymore. It was a lovely cherub, but now her face is misshapen and she actually looks like something out of a horror film. What should I do?
- Faith H. from Freeport

Wow, Faith, really? A horror film? You probably do want to do something if she looks that bad. I checked around, and there are two options if simply keeping it covered up isn't for you. The first is to go to a tattoo artist who specializes in "cover-ups." These are artists who will take your original tattoo and turn it into something else, or "fix" the flaws in what you have going for you now. The second option is laser removal. Laser removal is trickier and more expensive, and you could end up with scarring or lighter/darker skin where the tattoo was, so it's important to go to someone who specializes in this and has a good track record. You can fix her or you can wipe her out…no reason to let Ms. Horror Cherub keep you up at night!

Dear Dawn,
While driving to work in the morning, I see a couple walking together every day. They seem happy. The guy is always looking down and smiling while the woman is talking up a storm. I don't think they're married, because married people don't really like each other. What do you think?
- Peter S. from Gulf Breeze

Wow, Peter. That seems like a bitter and harsh statement. I happen to know a lot of married people who like each other. I think the ultimate goal of marriage is to be with someone you like and with whom you can share not just your innermost thoughts but also your day-to-day living experiences.

If you've had a bad marriage, Peter, I can see why you'd be bitter, but get on with it! I've had a few of those myself, and just like that couple walking along the street everyday chatting up a storm, I still believe the best thing to do is look forward, not backwards. Get some professional help, Peter, and find your soul mate. You'll be a better man for it and might just find yourself walking down the street with a smile on your face, too!

Dawn Bright is an eternal optimist. And that's pretty much all you need to know about her. Email your questions to **office@beachcomberdestin.com.**

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As summer winds down to fall, those long hot days in the sun are quickly replaced with evenings filled with family and friends. And although your natural tendency is to jump right into philosophical discussions during these social events, don't do it. Clam up. Keep your opinions to yourself. Just nod and smile no matter what. You'll be glad you did, and that's all that can be said about that.

PISCES
FEB. 20 - MAR. 20

You are exceptionally emotional and ultra-sensitive right now. You want to reach out to your loved ones to share those emotions and indulge in your sensitivity. Don't do it. You'll only be disappointed. Those loved ones have reached their limit with your whining, self pitying, and emotional quicksand. Spend time alone instead, and give those loved ones a break.

ARIES
MAR. 21 - APR. 20

Ah, Aries. Even the sound of "Aries" will illicit *oohs* and *aaahhhhhs*. Such a beautiful sound. And such a beautiful life. Your passion and adventurous spirit prevails. The stars line up for you on such a routine basis there isn't even a reason to read your Horrorscope. It's going to rock, always! You are an inspiration to all. Anyone lucky enough to be an Aries is lucky enough.

TAURUS
APR. 21 - MAY 21

You are supposedly so grounded, Taurus. The one to bring all the rest of us down to earth. You bring us down alright. Your bitter, moody self-loathing is too much for the rest of us to bear. You need to take some time—a LOT of time—thinking about what in the heck is wrong with you? Why are you so bitter? Why do you have to smear us all with your self-loathing? Take some time to figure it out, Taurus… we all are begging you to take that time.

GEMINI
MAY 22 - JUNE 21

We know August was rough for you, Gemini. It was chaotic, unconnected, and full of crisis. Unfortunately, September isn't going to be any better. Add a serious confrontation with a co-worker into the mix, resulting in a total lack of trust (and possibly the loss of your job) and that's what you have to look forward to. To avoid this, take some time off from work. Maybe use that PTO you've been saving for the past 12 years. A vacation will do you good.

CANCER
JUNE 22 - JULY 22

You love profound conversations. You love intimacy. And you love mystery. Unfortunately, your significant other also loves all those things, but not with you. Better take a close look at exactly what is going on, and don't do your normal "sticking your head in the sand" thing. Time to move on, and next time, don't pick another Cancer for your partner. Duh.

LEO
JULY 23 - AUG. 23

Recently you impressed someone with an act of physical strength that really said "Leo." But it also said "OWW!" and you've been paying for it ever since. You need to see a doctor. You need pain meds and, at some point, physical therapy to fix that thing you hurt. You know what I'm talking about. Next time you want to impress someone, try using your brain, not your brawn. 'Cause your brawn ain't that great.

VIRGO
AUG. 24 - SEPT. 23

You've been there for that special someone, haven't you, Virgo? Through thick and thin, sickness and health, good times and bad. You've talked yourself out of and into so many situations with this special someone you should win a trophy for loyalty. As well as dumb. That's right. You're being dumb, Virgo. That special someone is using you and won't give a second thought when they decide to toss you out with yesterday's mail. Just sayin.'

LIBRA
SEPT. 24 - OCT. 23

It has to get old, Libra, having so many people shower you with accolades on a daily basis. Your perfect communication skills, your ability to sympathize, empathize and rationalize helps so many people on so many levels so many times. You are genuinely amazing. Libra. Perfect.

SCORPIO
OCT. 24 - NOV. 22

You are one of the three water signs, Scorpio, and are also in the same boat as the other two. Cancer and Pisces are both doomed this month, and so are you. Watch for heavy rain, tropical storms and even a hurricane or two. It's just not going to happen for you during this particular time period. Probably best to don those rain boots and start trudging through it.

SAGITTARIUS
NOV. 23 - DEC. 21

You see yourself as an inspiration for many. You may be a teacher or a leader of some kind. And maybe you have been an inspiration in the past. But this month? No. You need to take a break from that whole leading thing. Get a substitute. Take time away from work. Forget mentoring or any kind of role where you are supposedly a role model for others. It will result in what can only be described as long-term disaster.

CAPRICORN
DEC. 22 - JAN. 20

I hate to be the bearer of bad news, but the stars are all whacked out this month for you, Capricorn. It seems that special thing you've been saving up for will only bring you misery and unhappiness. Don't buy it. Stick your money back under the mattress and find something else to bring you comfort and joy. The shopping channel has a lot of good stuff to choose from. Stay away from that one thing. You know I'm right.

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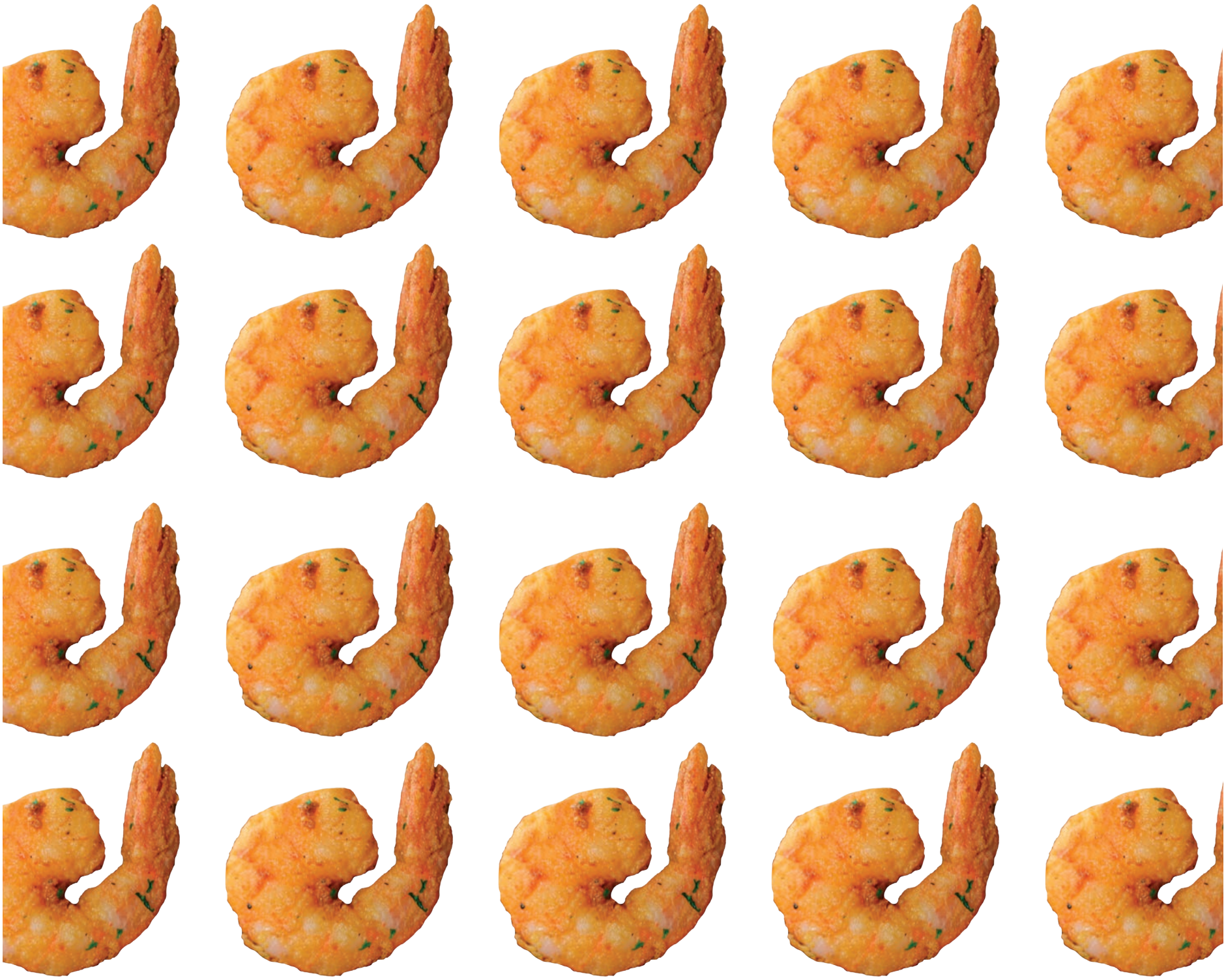

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